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Monaro trio links at APIA



Walter Valeri

Tony Morsello

Seb Giampaolo

Last year for Murray



George Murray

Holidaying on his old Scandinavian stamping ground, Canberra City coach George Murray had some pertinent comments to make when interviewed for Norway's leading football magazine *Tippelbladet* TIPS.

Murray became a popular figure in Arctic soccer circles during a two year coaching stint with the quaintly named Norwegian Second Division club Odd Skein.

Contracted to Canberra City for one more year, Murray stated that, at this stage, he intended 1983 to be his last season in Australia, though admitting he was uncertain where his long term future lay.

The main interest of *Tippelbladet* TIPS however was Australia's failure to reach the last World Cup finals and the Scot had no doubt where the blame lay.

"Rudi Gutendorf picked all the wrong players," the wise-after-the-event coach declared. "He then persevered with them even after they proved themselves not to be up to standard."

But Les Scheinflug was given the thumbs up by Murray, who informed the Norwegians: "He's done tremendously well and I am sure Australia already is well on the road to becoming the outstanding force in Asia — Oceania."

Murray certainly did a superb PR job for the Socceros' boss in the land of the Vikings.

— PACK MOON

NSL, VSF IN TRANSFER TUSSLE

Victoria's national league clubs, Hellas, J.U.S.T., Makedonia and Heidelberg, have been complaining for some time about restrictions on the number of senior players they are permitted to use in their secondary teams which play in VSF leagues.

At the moment, only three national league players of each club can be used in VSF leagues without being registered with the VSF. And players being promoted by a club from its VSF team to its national league side, have to be officially transferred and registered.

This transfer and registration red tape could be avoided by the national league itself if it allowed three "floaters" the way the VSF does.

And so the VSF shouldn't shoulder all the blame for this bureaucratic bind.

There were threats that the national league clubs would boycott the Ampol Cup if the rules were not changed, but they were not carried out.

— LAURIE SCHWAB

When APIA plays in Canberra, it will be assured of strong local support, for APIA now features a forward line of Walter Valeri, Sebastian Giampaolo and John Morsello.

All three played for Canberra-based club Inter Monaro. Valeri and Giampaolo played also for Canberra City.

The ACT trio was completed when Valeri transferred to APIA for \$5000 to join his old mates.

Morsello actually is an APIA product, and it was only on loan that he played for Inter.

Valeri, with 28 goals, was top scorer in the NSW State League in 1979, the season before he and Giampaolo transferred to Canberra City from Inter Monaro for a total price of \$40,000.

They scored seven goals each for Canberra in 1980, but more had been expected from them. The following year, 1981, Valeri was Canberra's top scorer with nine goals, but Giampaolo switched to APIA where he scored four goals in 1981 and 12 in 1982.

Valeri lost his place in the Canberra team during 1982, and finished the year with only one goal.

Meanwhile, APIA has released Col McAusland free to his former club Melita Eagles, and Alan Hughes has returned to Brisbane, where he played for Lions.

Jim Botalico, son of coach Fil Botalico, rejoins APIA from Melitis, where he played last season. Previously he was with North Sydney Inter.

Peter Wilson, player-coach last year, had an achilles tendon operation during the holidays and is not yet fit to play.

Mark Pullen has been appointed captain and Giampaolo is Vice-captain.

They and coach Botalico will guide promising young players Rob de Ceglia, Mark Brown, Eddie Zaccorner and Frank Casacchia who all are making strong bids for permanent team places.

Long serving midfielder Terry Butler however has decided to quit APIA and is available for transfer.

— LAURIE SCHWAB



Bill Vojtek (right) in action for Victoria against Velez Mostar.

St Albans signs Vojtek

Billy Vojtek has started a new chapter in his long and distinguished career by joining Victorian Second Division club St. Albans.

He takes over from previous coach Joe Biewer who now is team manager.

Vojtek, 38, has been player-coach of Western Suburbs for the past two years. Before that he was player-coach of Ajax, which won its first Ampol Cup under his guidance.

He established a reputation as a brilliant, tricky striker during many years with Melbourne Croatia and he was runner-up in the NSW Rothmans Medal contest during one season with South Sydney Croatia.

Rule change for 'keepers

FIFA recently clarified the rule covering how long a goalkeeper can hold the ball.

The following now applied:

Once he has the ball under control (with his hands), the goalkeeper can take up to four steps in the time allotted to him, thus:

- holding the ball with his hands, or
- letting the ball bounce on the ground, or
- throwing the ball in the air and catching it again.

After having taken four steps, he must release the ball into play. However, if after having the ball under control (with his hands), the goalkeeper decides to put it on the ground, he loses the rights listed above, thereby revealing his intention to play with his feet. From then on, he can no longer touch the ball or pick it up with his hands, even if he has taken less than 4 steps before another player has touched the ball. He must, therefore, release the ball or continue to play it with his feet; in the latter case, he is entitled to take more than 4 steps because he has the same rights as the other players.



England's 1982 World Cup squad, back row left to right: Bryan Robson, Tony Woodcock, Steve Foster, Glenn Hoddle, Peter Withe, Viv Anderson, Trevor Brooking, Paul Mariner, Ray Wilkins. Middle row: Fred Street (physio), Geoff Hurst (coach), Graham Rix, Phil Thompson, Ray Clemence, Joe Corrigan, Peter Shilton, Terry Butcher, Steve Coppell, Don Howe (coach), Norman Medhurst (asst. physio). Front row: Kenny Sansom, Terry McDermott, Kevin Keegan, Ron Greenwood (man.), Mick Mills, Phil Neal, Trevor Francis.

Uruguay, China, Cameroun here but . . .

England to send second rate side

England has upgraded its soccer tour of Australia this year to full international level, but will be sending a second-rate team.

However ASF secretary Brian Emery is expected to announce tomorrow (Thursday) that a four nation tournament involving Australia, Uruguay, China and Cameroun will take place here in October.

Australia's heavy international program kicks off with two games against New Zealand later this month. The first takes place on Tuesday night, February 22, in Auckland with the return set down for Sunday afternoon, February 27, at Melbourne's Olympic Park.

As we went to press we were unable to confirm the date of arrival of the England party however the three matches against Australia will be on June 12 in Sydney, midweek in Brisbane and June 19 in Melbourne.

England may play a match en route to Australia and after the three match series here will fly to America for further matches.

The football association has confirmed that the three matches would bring full "caps" for its players.

But FA secretary Ted Croker said at the same time that clubs would have first call on players.

Manchester United, Liverpool and Ipswich, have said that their players would not go and the FA will not force them to release them.

Most clubs are planning money-making tours of Europe, the Middle East or the United States, and without their stars they believe the tours will be financial failures.

Liverpool and Manchester United players who would have been considered for the tour included Phil Neal, Phil Thompson, Alan Kennedy, Craig Johnston, Sammy Lee, David Hodgson, Gary Bailey, Ray Wilkins, Remi Moses, Steve Coppell and current England captain Bryan Robson.

Croker said England hoped to have top class players available, and some might be available before or after their club commitments.

England did not expect any crowd trouble he said, noting the Australian courts' treatment of a youth convicted of offences during the 1981 World Youth Cup.

Sam still NSL boss

Decisions made at the newly-named National Soccer League of Australia (N.S.L.), were:

- Sam Pappasavas (South Melbourne Hellas) re-elected unopposed as chairman of the league for 1983.

- Guido Canale (Brisbane City), David Dillon (Canberra), Jim Carapetis (West Adelaide) and Tony Laborzetta (Marconi) elected to the management committee for 1983. The only change to the outgoing management committee was the replacement of John Morkus (Brisbane Lions) by Mr. Canale.

- Harry Lakmaker re-appointed honorary treasurer.

- During 1983 the league will adopt the points system currently in existence in the English Football League — three points for a win, one point for a draw and no points for a loss.

- The substitution rule will remain the same. Only one player from each team will be allowed to be substituted during the match.

- The 1983 Cup competition will be run on the same lines as the 1982 Phillips Cup and will involve teams from the National Soccer League only. The first round will be played on the weekend of March 5-6, with the final scheduled for Sunday October 16. Should the final involve teams from separate cities consideration will be given to staging a two-legged final.

- The staging of a top four series at the end of the 1983 season has yet to be determined in view of the international tournament currently being organised by the A.S.F. for October, 1983. The decision on the 1983 top four series has been deferred until the next Council of Clubs meeting, which will be held in February.



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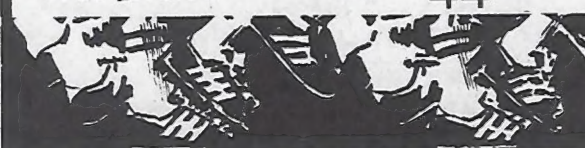
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THE MAN WHO MADE HIS MARK IN MONTEVIDEO

52 years later, no medals

By CRAIG MACKENZIE

just memories for Mihailovic

Fifty-two and a half years ago a 24 year old left back walked out into the relentless heat of Montevideo's Centenary Stadium as 80,000 fiercely partisan voices roared at near fever pitch.

Dragan Mihailovic was one of seven BSK players representing upstart Yugoslavia, Europe's sole survivor in the semi-final stage of the inaugural World Cup in 1930. Opponent and host national Uruguay was warm favorite.

The Yugoslavs flirited briefly with success. Seculic scored after just four minutes. However South American honor had

been recaptured by half time. Uruguay led 2-1 due to a controversial offside decision which cancelled what would have been Yugoslavia's equaliser. The Yugoslavs were outplayed in the second half. Uruguay won 6-1 and went on to beat Argentina 4-2 in the final.

Yugoslavia finished in third place. It was one of only four European countries to compete. The others were France, Romania and Belgium. F.I.F.A. honored the Yugoslavs by adding a commemorative gold

medal to the bronze medals won by every team member.

Dragan Mihailovic can't leap to the incredible heights he reached in the 1920s and 30s. His heading ability was his hallmark.

Now 76, arthritis curtails his mobility. He lives in Sale in rural Victoria. He says he still has many friends who look after him. Meals on Wheels also look after him. His memories of his playing days are vivid. His greatest regret is losing the bronze and gold medals he

gained in 1930. They disappeared in the rubble left by the bomb which destroyed his house during the Second World War.

"The World Cup was a great time for us."

We stayed in South America for three months altogether and played in Argentina, Peru, Brazil and of course, in Uruguay," said Mihailovic.

"We were a big hit over there because they didn't get to see a lot of European footballers. And we were a very young team."



• The Rumanian national team limbers up on the Italian ship "Conte Verde" on the way to the first World Cup in Montevideo. The European teams spent four months travelling to and from Uruguay and playing there.

No-one thought that a young, European team would beat Brazil in the World Cup finals. You see, we used to play the ball long and quick early in the game and try to put pressure on our opponent's goal as soon as possible. Against the Brazilians our goalkeeper's first touch of the ball led to a goal for us. Yavovic (Yugoslavia's goalkeeper) just kicked the ball long, our centre forward headed it on and Timanic ran in and scored. Beck also scored in the first half and the Brazilians never fully recovered."

The Yugoslav press hailed Mihailovic as the star of the team. Mihailovic is less liberal with his praise but he picks himself among the top three players.

"Our goalkeeper Yavovic was our best player. Next came Ivkovic, our captain and right back. I probably was not, but because I had such a tremendous leap and often was heading the ball clear, the newspapers and radio singled me out as Yugoslavia's best player."

Legendary Yugoslav clubs, Nacional and Penarol, fought to sign Mihailovic on professional terms. Both lost.

"I didn't want to sign as a professional. You know, we were all amateurs in the Yugoslavian team. I was nearing the end of my law studies and I

didn't want to throw away the chance of a career in the legal profession. I turned the Uruguayan clubs down. The money they offered me was very good back in those days. I was to get a big fee to sign on as well as a monthly wage."

Mihailovic's playing days all but ended in Czechoslovakia. BSK was playing in Prague against the Czech club champion. In the 80th minute the Czech defender broke his leg in a tackle.

"I recovered but I was never the same. We went to France for an exhibition game and I played because of my name and reputation but shortly after that I gave the game away."

Mihailovic concentrated on his legal practice in Belgrade. He also became a lieutenant in the Royal Yugoslav army. The Second World War and the ensuing political, economic and social upheaval in Yugoslavia forced Mihailovic to flee to Italy where he joined the RAF until coming to Australia in 1949. His legal qualifications weren't recognised here so he started work at the RAAF base in Sale.

"Some Yugoslav people contacted me and they said that they wanted to start a soccer club. It was to be called JUST. The president was Ivan Kukez. He ran the Birmingham Hotel in Smith Street, Fitzroy."

"I decided to coach this new team so I moved to Melbourne and stayed in the Birmingham Hotel."

"Our first league game was against the best team in Victoria at the time — Brighton — and we surprised the soccer world by winning 3-0. It was big news. In fact 'The Argus' wrote a big story about our club and about me playing for Yugoslavia in the World Cup."

Mihailovic married while in Melbourne but his wife wanted to leave the suburbs. A successful two year stay at JUST ended when Mihailovic moved back to Sale.

For a few years in the mid-1950s he remained involved in soccer by forming Sale City United and coaching it to success in the local Battle of Britain Cup and a meritorious 1-0 win over crack Melbourne visitor Slavia.

However Sale City United folded after a handful of years taking with it the last active involvement Mihailovic had with soccer.

He hasn't watched JUST for years but he still maintains a broad interest in Australian soccer.

"Soccer is much improved in Australia. We have a lot of good young players here and I'm convinced that eventually we will be as good as the rest of the world."

ABC CASUALTY IN TV WAR?

Soccer may lose the ABC before its proposed weekly show starts, as the big TV battle continues to rage.

The ABC has threatened to drop its soccer plans if Australia's international games are shown on the Seven network.

Channel 9/28 however will push ahead with its soccer coverage, as it has for the past two years.

The ABC deal was practically signed and sealed before West Nally underwrote the national league for at least the 1983 season.

The ABC's plan was to run a weekly one-hour programme on more than 20 stations nationally, covering NSL match highlights. But when West Nally agreed to back the ASF and the NSL financially, it did so only because it saw the opportunity to recoup its money by selling advertising deals to major companies.

And major companies can be attracted much more easily with the lure of commercial TV exposure.

So West Nally specified in its deal with the ASF that rights to all of the Soccereroes' international matches must be offered to commercial networks.

The ABC was far from pleased. It argues that if it covers only the NSL it will have only the cake, without the icing.

The message is: no icing, no cake!

West Nally argues that without the backing of a commercial network, there would be no international matches, for it is the commercial backing that will provide the money to stage the matches.

And so the international matches were offered to ATN7 in Sydney and through ATN7 to various other members of the Seven Network.

According to John Clarke of West Nally's Sydney office, Channels 7 in Brisbane, Adelaide and Canberra will also show the international games and HSV of Melbourne probably will show



By LAURIE SCHWAB

some of them. The Newcastle and Wollongong commercial stations are likely to participate well.

Trouble is, the commercial stations want nothing to do with the National League.

So if the ABC drops its soccer plans the NSL will lose potentially its greatest promotions vehicle.

Channel 9/28 has retained its Monday night half-hour programme which covers highlights of all eight NSL matches. It also will show a full length "Match of the Day" every Sunday night, but has dropped "Pro Soccer", the one hour programme shown last year on Fridays.

Instead, host Les Murray will devote most of the Friday-night "International Sports Magazine" to NSL news and previews.

And Channel 9/28 will co-operate closely with the Seven Network, using footage of international matches supplied by Seven, and also giving Seven film of NSL games if required.

Channel 9/28 will continue showing its one-hour "World Soccer" programme on Wednesday night. It comprises film of overseas leagues.

West Nally will outline its "Project '86" soccer package at a Press conference in Sydney tomorrow (Thursday).

It will make the point that commercial TV is necessary because sponsor companies require paid air time to reinforce the advertising on hoardings around the playing pitch.

Part of "Project '86" which is aimed at the Soccereroes qualifying for the 1986 World Cup finals, is a possible inter-continental tie between the champion clubs of Australia and the USA in 1984.

West Nally has sponsorship deals tied up in US soccer, as it does in Australia.

Nations Cup and Israeli stars

Sydney City Hakoah is pinning its hopes on the importation of two Israeli stars in the 1983 soccer popularity stakes.

Joint chairman of the club's public relations committee, David Mendels, revealed that an attacking and a defensive midfielder are being sought.

The man scouting for suitable players in Israel is the former legendary forward and skipper of that country, Nachum Stelmach, whose help was enlisted last week.

In trying mightily to recover from last November's trauma, when the Hakoah Club board of directors "yanked" the soccer side out of the National League without any consultation with the club's membership, promotion and public relations are one of the two top priorities for the new management committee.



Israel's former captain Nachum Stelmach

to help lift Hakoah

IN FOCUS

by PETER SCOTT



The other is preservation of a squad which has dominated Australian soccer in recent years.

Nearly all the players now have signed for the 1983 season, except John Kosmina, who has, however, agreed verbally to the terms offered, and Murray Barnes and Todd Clarke, who are involved in final negotiations.

Although Patikas and Spanos have moved to Olympic and Heidelberg respectively, Tony Pezzano has returned from Queensland.

Joe Watson, also the subject of rumors and speculation in recent months, still has a year to go on his contract.

Now that intense pressure from the Hakoah Club membership has succeeded in forcing the board of directors to reverse its earlier decision, Mendels explained some of the initiatives under way in an attempt to attract crowds back to Sydney City games.

Among these are: • An all-nations cjp for Sydney's ethnic communities, to be held on a knock-out basis,

with the planned involvement of some 20 nationalities;

• Borrowing the tried and tested American idea of special "Theme days" for home matches, with specific promotions and give-aways on Mothers' Day and similar occasions;

• Investigating the feasibility of closed circuit live telecasts of away games at the Hakoah Club;

• Importation of a top-class foreign guest player for at least four matches in mid-season, and

• Staging two home away from the Sydney Athletic Field, with the match against Newcastle at Gosford's Central Coast Leagues Club, and another planned for the Manly-Warringah area.

An effort also will be made to improve the club's relations with the media generally by cleaning up and improving the facilities at the Athletic Field, and ensuring better service in minor but vital areas, such as the provision of team line-ups and other information.

Mendels revealed a "new

era" in media relations will start with a function in early March. Unlike previous years, when the club showed a good deal of selectivity in invitations to pressmen. Apparently dependent on who was or wasn't in the club's "good books" at any given time, all members of the soccer media will be invited to 1983 get-togethers.

Mendels is also coordinating an effort to snare a major sponsor for the team, with the sum sought being \$250,000 over a three-year period.

A number of companies are being approached in the food, beverage and electronics industries.

Mendels emphasised the club would move "heaven and earth" to ensure that a sponsor would get major benefits from its commitment.

"Of the annual \$80,000 we are seeking, \$30,000 will be earmarked for nothing else but the promotion of the sponsor's name, products and image in various ways," he said.

"These promotions would involve activities closely connected with match days, as well as numerous other opportunities at other times and places," he said.

Obviously, the new soccer management committee of the club is trying hard to salvage the team's long-term future. There is no doubt that 1983 will see Sydney City dealing out "punishment" to its rivals in the NSL again.

Fundraising is proceeding in a steady, if not spectacular manner, with some \$10,000 collected from supporters. In recent weeks, Presto Smallgoods committed to continuing their sponsorship worth at least \$20,000 in 1983, a major social function at the Hakoah Club on March 5 and publication of a yearbook in the planning stages.

There are also major problems facing the club although,

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Herbert a sensation

By LAURIE SCHWAB

Olympic's New Zealand international Ricky Herbert will be a sensation in the national league.

I have seen him play with the Kiwi national team and he ranks with the very best. He's young, fearless, excellent in the air — he scored the winning goal against Victoria at Olympic Park two years ago — and extremely fast for such a big man.

Yet Olympic got him for nothing! Clive Herbert, Ricky's father, is the president of Mt Wellington and through his influence, Ricky was able to transfer free of charge.

Despite the acquisition of Herbert, who plays as stopper, coach Tommy Docherty has decided to take the previous stopper, Ian Rowden, off his long transfer list — apparently as Herbert's understudy.

Docherty, incidentally, is being assisted by Tony Anastasi who supervises the gym work, and Kaz Kulak who runs the Olympic youth team.

Jim Petinellis, the club's new president, expects three young players to make an impact this year. They are: Tony Dakos (stopper), Terry Patlis (winger) and George Akoutas (full back).

Bojczuk, Blair join but eight leave

West Adelaide coach Alan Vest faces an uphill struggle with a shoestring budget but he remains optimistic. He operated with little money at Newcastle, so he's used to it.

So far, Vest has lost Adrian Santrac who returns to Beograd after a 12-month loan period, Zoran Maricic to Croatia for about \$5000, Jimmy Wright on a free transfer to Adelaide City, Ian McKie to Heidelberg for \$2000, Alan Both and Steve Sumner who have returned to New Zealand, Manecas who's still on the transfer list and possibly Graham Honeyman, although there's still hope he will stay on.

To replace them, Vest has signed Bill Amey, formerly of Newcastle and Blacktown, for only \$500, and Wally Bojczuk, Stewart Blair and Phil Cole from Azzurri for about \$4000 each.

Bojczuk, who played for Mooroolbark in the national league in 1977, was top scorer in the South Australian State League last season. Blair, a midfielder, played for Hakoah (Vic) before joining Azzurri and Cole is a full back.

Vest also hopes to sign Paul Wormley, the 1982 top scorer of the Queensland State League. He was with Barnsley in England before joining Townsville United.

John Panagis, a left flanker, John Papazoglou (midfield-full back) and Brendan Hiern (centre back) are the most promising of West Adelaide's youth players.

New defenders for Newcastle

Bob Mountford's back, and Newcastle KB United has imported two new centre backs, Gary Watson and Peter Burke, to replace Roy Drinkwater and John Sneddon.

Drinkwater has returned to England for business reasons and Sneddon has returned to his former club, West Walsley, on a free transfer.

Watson, 23, has been recruited from English club Carlisle, to which Jim Hamilton has returned after only one season with Newcastle. Watson also has played for Oxford United.

Burke, 25, is from Halifax Town and previously played for Rochdale and Barnsley. At Halifax his team mates included Chris Dunleavy (now Wollongong), Bob

Mountford and Joe Carroll, the striker who is about to join Footscray J.U.S.T. Mountford and Ian Buckley both are making comebacks with Newcastle after serious injuries.

Mountford was out for a year due to a broken leg but coach Ken Kaiser now describes him as "the fittest man in the league".

"He's worked very hard in the gym and then on his running and he's now got tremendous endurance," Kaiser said.

Mountford will partner youth international David Lowe in attack, with a four man midfield behind him. Kaiser expects Lowe to benefit greatly from Mountford's experience. The English striker scored 61 goals in a varied career with Hudders-

field, Port Vale, Scunthorpe, Crewe, Rochdale and Halifax.

Kaiser has transfer-listed former New Zealand international forward Alf Stamp and is about to sign former Australian youth international Michael Boagard, 22, a centre back from Lake Macquarie.

Bernard Kirby and Nigel Drysdale, products of Newcastle's youth team, are expected to become regulars this season and Brett Gemmell, back after a groin injury, also will push hard for a place in the team.

Kaiser's side is expected to be: Phil Dando, Neil Endacott or Ralph Maier, Peter Burke, Gary Watson, Howard Tredinnick — Nigel Drysdale, Craig Mason, Joe Senkalski, Ian Buckley or David Jones — Bob Mountford, David Lowe.

Xanthopoulos may lose out to Crino

Oscar Crino won the praise of all Australian soccer followers when he starred as sweeper in the national youth team that came third in the 1981 World Youth Championships.

Then tied to Melbourne club Juventus, he was unable to get a transfer locally at an acceptable price, so he went to Hong Kong to play for Tung Sing.

Now he's set to take over as sweeper at South Melbourne Hellas, although Arthur Xanthopoulos has given the club faithful and conscientious service for probably 10 years.

Crino's clearance from Tung Sing was expected to come through as we went to press.

With Crino joining Hellas along with Ken Murphy from Croatia and Bobby Russell from Adelaide City, a number of players obviously will have to go.

The first of them is full back or midfielder Gerry Bennett, recruited from Ajax last year. He is looking for a club and can be contacted on \$1 \$182.

Other players probably will be transfer-listed after the Ampol Cup, during which coach Rale Rasic will settle on his strongest line-up. Charlie Egan still is adamant that he wants a transfer because he feels he has not been offered suitable terms. He was on a one-year contract with a one-year option, which Hellas has exercised.

Egan has been told he is free to negotiate with other clubs but that his transfer fee is likely to be about \$30,000.

So far, however, Egan has not managed to have his availability and the transfer fee put into writing.

Canberra City coach George Murray has negotiated with Egan and is keen to sign him — but not for \$30,000. Makedonia coach Peter Ollerton also has shown interest in Egan, who scored 20 goals in his first season with Hellas last year.

Rasic wants to sign Eddie Krncevic, now with Dinamo Zagreb in Yugoslavia, but that will be far from easy, for he too is valued at \$30,000, which was his transfer fee when he left Marconi.

Alan Evans may struggle to hold his place in attack, judging from practice matches. In one game, against J.U.S.T., Rasic took Evans off, switched Steve Woodin from the left into the middle of the attack, and brought on Branko Buljevic as the left winger.

They're the men who transferred

The following are the internal National League transfers that had been finalised or were about to be finalised when we went to Press:

\$20,000



Ken MURPHY
midfielder, From Melbourne Croatia to S.M.H. Hellas. Ex-Dundee (Scot.). Vic State rep.



Jim PATIKAS
midfielder, From Sydney C to Syd Olympic. 10 NSL goals, one international.

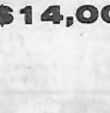


Marshall SOPER
striker, From APFA to Syd Olympic. 21 NSL goals.

\$16,000



Arno BERTOAGNA
defender, From Wgong to APFA. Ex-Newc. KB Ltd. and Azzurri (WA). 3 PSL goals, 3 international.



Bobby RUSSELL
defender, From Adel C. to S.M.H. Hellas. Ex-Syd. Croat.

\$10,000

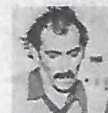


Oscar CRINO
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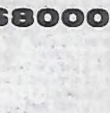


John SPANOS
midfielder or defender, From Sydney C to Heidelberg 8 NSL goals, one cap.

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Billy WILLIAMSON
forward, From Brisb. Lions to Brisb. City. Ex-Aberdeen. 17 NSL goals.



Rod BROWN
striker, From Auburn to Marconi Youth international.

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Peter TREDINNICK
midfielder or forward, From Wollongong to APFA. Ex-Newc. KB. 9 NSL goals. Former youth international.



Walter VALERI
striker, From Canberra C to APFA. Ex-Inter Monaro 17 NSL goals.



Barry KELSO
striker, From Brisb. City to Brisb. Lk. 27 NSL goals.

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Wally BOJCZUK
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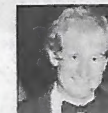


Stewart BLAIR
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Phil COLE
defender, From Azzurri (SA) to V Adel.

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Gus MACLEOD
striker, From GG-Ajax to Foots JUST. 34 State League goals.



Paul WORMLEY
striker, From Townsville Utd to West Adel. Ex-Barnsley.



Ian MCKIE
full back, from Adel to Heidelberg. Former youth rep.

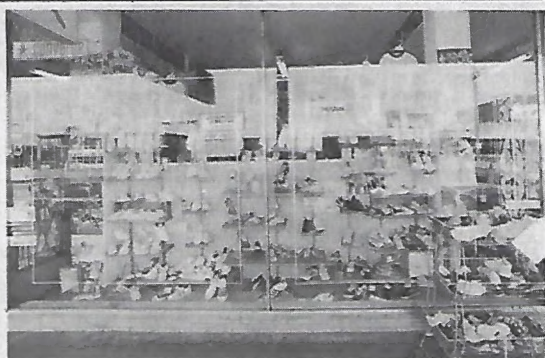
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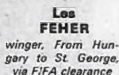
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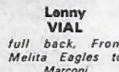
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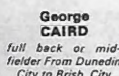
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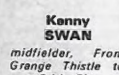
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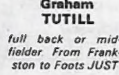
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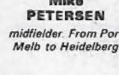
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winger or midfielder, From Across the Waves to Brisb. C.



Graham TUTILL
full back or midfielder, From Frankston to Foots JUST



Mike PETERSEN
midfielder, From Port Melbourne to Heidelberg



Alan MARZALEK
defender, From Ipswich (Q) to Brisb. Lions

New Brisbane Lions coach, Dutchman Simon Kistemaker, will use wingers as the vehicle for his "spectacular, attractive football."

Kistemaker, a professional player for 17 years in his homeland, doesn't want Lions to play the waiting game, then suddenly hitting opponents on the break. "That's not my style. I want to play inside our attacking half of the field," he said. "I hope that we can play the type of soccer I want. I'm working hard with the players and I'm trying to convince them of the merit of what we are going to do. Once I have them on my side we can work on producing the sort of exciting, attacking football which is essential in this country in order to attract media attention."

Commendable stuff! Even though the recording is wearing thin, let's hope that Kistemaker's Lions turn it on this season. If so, a clash between Lions and Sydney Olympic would be a thrill-a-minute affair.

Kistemaker has definite views on importing players. He arrived here last Boxing Day and by early January was so unimpressed by midfielder Jim Maclean that he placed him on the transfer list. Maclean joined Morwell Falcons late last month.

"Not only must overseas players be of a far superior standard than local players, they also

Top Dutch coach to lift Lions

By CRAIG MACKENZIE

must be more professional in their attitude. The young players have must mix with imports who can help develop a professional approach in these youngsters," said Kistemaker.

Kistemaker played for Telstar as a stopper or midfielder and later with Blauwit which amalgamated with DWS to form FC Amsterdam.

A bad injury ended his playing days and he decided to complete his physical education qualifications in Alkmaar.

Kistemaker already had gained his full senior coaching badge through the Dutch football association as a 28-year-old. His first coaching stint was with semi-professional club Hillegom. Three years later he went to

the oldest club in Holland, Royal Haarlem FC, for two years.

His first professional club as a coach was Ado which amalgamated with another club for former FC Don Haag. Semi-professional outfit Zaandam was Kistemaker's next assignment before being appointed as assistant coach of Telstar. Just as Kistemaker was enhancing his coaching reputation, tragedy struck his personal life. His wife developed cancer and eventually died. Kistemaker was out of the game for a year.

"I had offers from Anderlecht and the Indonesian federation round about the time my wife wasn't well and of course I couldn't accept them. When I started to take up coaching again I found that it is hard to be out of football for a year in Holland and try to come back."

Through current ASF secretary, Brian

Emery, Kistemaker got in touch with Brisbane Lions last April and sent over copies of his lengthy lists of credits.

Norwegian club Rosenburg also showed interest in Kistemaker but the Dutchman finally decided to join Lions.

"I'm not a big-head or a loudmouth but I'm confident in my own ability. I wanted to work at a high level and if it couldn't be in Holland then it had to be elsewhere. I just had to get back into the game. So far I have held plenty of training sessions and watched videos of Lions' games last season.

"We're not a top team yet but the possibilities are enormous. Niven has signed up again so, along with Bennett and McKimmie we will have a very strong defence once we have a top-class sweeper. I have a goalkeeper called Craig Marshall and you'd better watch out for him! And in Steven Hogg and John Ogden I have two good young midfielders.

"I do a lot of individual training that the players aren't used to but it's important that they work hard to bring themselves to the highest possible level."

Kistemaker is softly spoken and courteous. His hard-hitting comments however shatter any stereotype of him as a reticent, wary newcomer to the Australian soccer scene. He knows what he wants. He has to win the respect of the Lions players, then work to exploit their flair and creativity. Let's wish him well.

Boudewijn Norway's best

Boudewijn de Geer is the star recruit of Brisbane Lions' new coach Simon Kistemaker.

A left winger, de Geer, 27, played top soccer in Holland for Den Haag and De Graafschap. In the late seventies he was voted Norwegian Player of the Year while with Lillestrom, and he also had a year and a half with Hercules Alicante in Spain.

He is the best Dutch player to come to Australia since the heyday of Ringwood Wilhelmina in the early sixties.

Barry Kelso is likely also to join the Lions

forward line, to make up for the loss of Billy Williamson.

Kelso was transfer-listed by Brisbane City, the club Williamson has joined.

Lions was to pay about \$6000 for Kelso, as we went to Press.

Alan Marzalek, who has been on trial from Ipswich United, is expected to be Lions' third recruit. A stopper, Marzalek will join in exchange for one of the Lions players not included in the senior squad.

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New role for TV producer

Sue Whitechurch, who was associate producer of "Pro Soccer '82" on Channel 9/28 last year, is the new secretary of Marconi.

"Pro Soccer", which was produced by Enterprise Colorvideo, will not be shown this year. Instead, Channel 9/28 will turn its "International Sports Magazine" on Friday night, into predominantly a soccer programme.

Sue Whitechurch is pictured at rear, second from right, with the "Pro Soccer '82" crew, from left: Pat Mackie, Walter Hawes, Craig Chapman, (Sue Whitechurch), Dominic Galati; front: Adrian Alston (guard), Mike Hill, Mark Leonard, Wendy Sainsbury, Ian Engleton, Jim Walpole (front).

Marconi gets Sermanni, Robertson

Stuart Robertson, the little midfielder, who wowed Newcastle KB United crowds last year, will play for Marconi in 1983.

Robertson went home after playing for Newcastle, and has been with Doncaster Rovers. It is from there that Marconi coach Doug Collins has signed him.

Collins also has recruited midfielder Tommy Sermanni from English club Torquay United, and young left back Lenny Vial from Melita Eagles. Sermanni previously played for Albion Rovers and Blackpool.

Mark Jankovics has signed a new contract although he announced late in 1982 that he would seek a transfer.

Ivo Prskalo, the long-serving Marconi sweeper and former Australian Player of the Year, is on the transfer list, and Italian star Roberto Vieri has retired.

Odzakov to star

Zarko Ozakov promises to be one of the most exciting new players of 1983.

Odzakov, who toured Australia with Vardar Skopje of Yugoslavia in 1979, was due to join Preston Makedonia as we went to Press.

His Makedonia team mate George Todorovski, who also comes from Vardar, rates him as a brilliant attacking midfielder.

Odzakov will be joined within about two weeks by Alex Livingstone, 19, from Scottish club Albion Rovers. He was recommended by Makedonia midfielder Gordon Flavell who watched Livingstone play while Flavell was holidaying in Scotland off-season.

Scott Patterson, who played for Victoria against Watford last year, has been trialling with Makedonia but his transfer was not finalised when we went to Press. It was likely however, that he would join in exchange for Richard Miranda.

Richard Wilson, the New Zealand international goalkeeper, has returned to the club after a long absence, and he looks set to continue his fierce rivalry with the club's other goalkeeper, Steve Potter.

Alan Whittle, transfer-listed at \$10,000 after failing to agree on terms, finally has signed a new contract and is back in action, fitter than ever.

NEW MIDFIELD FOR BERGERS

Heidelberg may have a completely new midfield.

Bob Vincent, who has a sensational reputation, has been recruited from Sunderland. Mike Angus is on his way from Middlesbrough and Juan Toro Castillo has been signing supporters with his magical touches pre-season.

In addition, Heidelberg has Soccer John Spanos, bought from Sydney City for just over \$10,000.

Add to them the established midfielders, Theo Selemidis, Ken Taylor, Mike Valentine

and Jim Campbell as well as Mike Petersen who transferred from Port Melbourne, and Heidelberg probably has the largest midfield contingent in the league!

Like Hellas, Heidelberg will be forced to transfer-list some of them.

Angus plays in defence when he's not scoring goals from midfield. He played about 23 senior games with Middlesbrough but lately has been on loan to Scunthorpe. He is joining Heidelberg on a free transfer.

Campbell has moved from the midfield to attack, where he replaces Jamie Paton alongside Gary Cole.

Toro, a former Chilean international, arrived last year but was used only when

the team was decimated by injuries very late in the season.

But in training matches — particularly in a 2-1 victory over Fawkner — Toro used his skill brilliantly to set up scoring chances with incisive passes.

The Heidelberg defence remains unchanged, now that John Yzendoorn has decided to stay with the club. He negotiated with Sydney City for a while, but City decided it did not want him.

Another recruit at Heidelberg is full back Ian McKie from West Adelaide, a former youth international.

New coach Ken Morton has pledged to depart from the square and backward approach of 1982 and says he will encourage a much more aggressive and flamboyant style.

Cole is back

Canberra City has lost Angelo Ambrosino, Mike Milovanovic and Ian Purdie but regained midfielder Duncan Cole from New Zealand.

Ambrosino, who was one of the most promising young players in the league last year, has returned to Italy with his parents.

Milovanovic's employment has taken him to Mackay in Queensland. Cole, a star with Canberra in 1981, played for New Zealand in the World Cup last year and spent the rest of the season with Halmex North Shore.

He will take the midfield position filled last year by Steve Bryant who retreats to a full back role as Ambrosino's replacement.

Chris Hummell, 17, the goalkeeper of the national youth team, also has signed for Canberra City. He played for the Institute of Sport team last season.

Coach George Murray says he's still looking for a striker to replace Purdie who wants a transfer. Murray has been negotiating for Charlie Egan of Hellas.

Tony Brennan however, has signed a new contract after earlier being on the transfer list.

"He wanted to stay with us, and we're delighted to keep him," Murray said. "I've made it clear what is expected of him however. He has to be

more consistent. He has to produce week in, week out."

With Milovanovic gone, the centre back pairing will be Jim Murray and Terry Byrne, with Paul Ontong, back again after a season of injuries, at right back.

OPTIMISTIC AROK!

St. George coach Frank Arok is one man who isn't worried by the economic climate.

"Soccer is the cheapest entertainment around," he said.

"Where else can you get so much for only four dollars? It's during better times that soccer loses support, for when people have a lot of money, they've also got a lot of options. They can go boating, or they can go away for the weekend, for example.

"Today they wouldn't spend that sort of money, but they still want to be entertained."

St. George will not spend big money on new players, so Arok has been concentrating on youth.

During the super challenge series, he was trying out John Muskovits, 21, a forward, and Les Feher, 21, a left flanker.

Muskovits came from the St. George juniors and then joined Riverwood but he hasn't played for two seasons due to university studies.

Feher arrived last year after playing in the Hungarian Second Division but it's taken until now to get a clearance for him, through FIFA. Arok also has promoted utility player

Andrew Koczka, 17, from the club's youth team. He was the team's best and fairest player last season.

Lajos Koritar, former captain of MTK Budapest, has returned to Hungary and 10 other players are on the transfer list.

They are: Ted MacDougall, \$10,000; Billy Griffiths \$10,000; Dennis Duarte \$8000; John Davies \$7000; David Rylands \$7500; Peter Terry \$2000; John Russell \$2000; Don Smith \$2500; Andrew Enderew \$1000, Bill Beves \$1000.

Eleven of the under 16 players who won the State championship by beating APIA 7-1 last year have been given provisional contracts and will play in the youth league this season. They are: Geoff Biscaya, Tony Danaskos, Paul Darlington, Alfonso Follaposa, Eddie Gonano, Peter Petkovski, Chris Polias, Peter Riley, John Spirovski, Steve Zantidis and Steve Singolis.

Terry Greedy has replaced Mike Fraser as Arok's No. 1 goalkeeper, but the rest of the team is the same as in 1982: Greedy, Skeen, Ratcliffe, M. O'Shea, R. O'Shea, Barton, Stone, J. O'Shea, Slater, Wilkinson, Marton.

Former St. George star Adrian Alston, who scored 17 goals in 61 games for Australia, has rejoined Saints as a youth coach.

The playing career of Jim Hermiston is over.

The 1979 and 1980 Australian Player of the Year has hung up his boots to concentrate on coaching Brisbane City.

Steve Perry will replace Hermiston as sweeper. Perry has been playing at right back.

City also has lost Jimmy Dunne and John McVeigh who have returned to the UK. Joe Palinkas who is back in Melbourne and Barry Kelso who has been transfer-listed.

"Kelso started training this season but I had to make the decision to let him go. I want only players who are willing to give me 100 per cent," Hermiston said.

Kelso will be replaced by Billy Williamson, who will switch from Lions for \$3000.

Alan Hughes, who is back from APIA, was trying to decide as we went to Press whether to join City or return to his old club, Lions.

Hermiston quits, Kelso out, Williamson in

Three other players have been trialling with City: George Caird, a full back or midfielder from Dunedin City, NZ; Kenny Swan, a midfielder from Grange Thistle, and Gary Bromfield, a left winger of midfielder from Across the Waves.

Hermiston has pledged City to an attacking game, and he probably will use a four-man forward line of Willie Connor, Steve Clockner, Joe Cairney and Billy Wilkinson.

"Other coaches have talked about attacking, but in my case I'm giving you a guarantee. We'll be going out to have a go and to please

the crowd. The defensive approach has been killing soccer," Hermiston said.

Ron McKenzie, a former Lions player and coach of the Queensland under 16 last year, is Hermiston's assistant and also will coach City's Premier League team, made up mainly of young players.

The Premier League replaces the Queensland State League which has been scrapped because of excessive costs. The league is made up of Brisbane-based clubs, while Rockhampton, Mareeba, Townsville, Bundaberg and Twin Towns are left to play in their own local competitions.

A target for Lujic

Finally Footscray J.U.S.T. has a target for those crosses by Zdravko Lujic!

For the past few seasons, Lujic has been virtually J.U.S.T.'s only forward but now, when he storms towards goal, he'll have Gus Macleod up there to give the ball to.

And if Macleod is joined by Joe Carroll, as expected, J.U.S.T. will have its strongest striking force since the golden days of Branko Buljic and Slobodan Zoraja.

Carroll is in England waiting his re-entry visa. He played with Ringwood Wilhelmia last season.

Macleod is well-known to followers of the Victorian State League, but not to National League fans.

For their information, he scored 34 league goals for Green Gully Ajax in two seasons, plus 25 Cup goals. In Scotland he notched up about 130 with Albion Rovers, St. Mirren, Berwick Rangers and Hamilton Academicals.

Jim Milne has left J.U.S.T. to join local club Mordialloc. Milan Kojic has been transferred to Fawkner, Dragan Vasic has joined Richmond and Vlado Pilevajcic (midfielder) and Milutin Ciric (goalkeeper) are on the transfer list.

Now coach Bobby McLachlan, who led Ajax to two successive State League championships and Dockerty Cups, also has signed Graham Tutill from Frankston, as a full back or midfielder.

He also has his eyes on a couple of players in the UK.

Dods, Northcote join Mullen

Adelaide City coach John Perin is delighted with his young recruit, Joe Mullen from Para Hills.

"He's got a great leap, just like Dixie Deans," says Perin, comparing Mullen with City's former top scorer.

"He's extremely dedicated, he has a lot of mobility, a high work rate and he certainly knows where the goals are."

Mullen was a member of the national youth squad that went to Acapulco and Port Moresby but he was left out of the squad that went to Costa Rica because he injured an ankle in a

trial game, during which he scored a hat-trick.

"The injury cleared up in three or four days and I believe he could have played in Costa Rica," Perin said. "The decision to leave him at home was a bit hasty."

New Zealand international Glen Dods has settled a dispute with the club and will be back this season, along with Brian Northcote who had a groin operation last year, causing him to miss half the season.

Sweeper Neil Banfield is back from England and Perin still is adamant that the 20-

year-old defender eventually will captain Australia.

Adelaide City also has signed skilful winger Jimmy Wright from West Adelaide on a free transfer.

Wright missed most of last season due to injury but has recovered fully.

Gary Marocchi has returned to Perth where he wants to rejoin Atterbury but so far, the Perth club has not met the \$8000 transfer fee demand.

Chris Manou has lost 5kg and is training so strongly that Perin expects him to be one of the club's foremost players in 1993.

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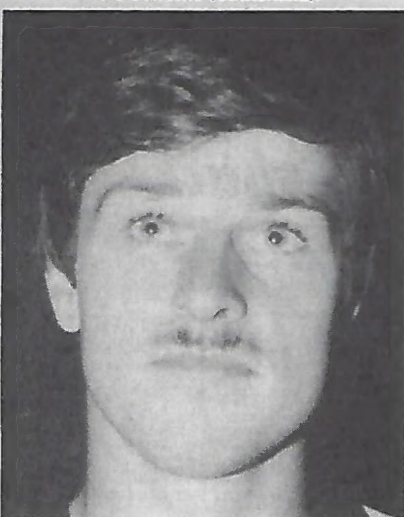
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Kirwan, Sobczyk send Blacktown, Polonia through

By ALEX VESIC



Vic Dalforno (Sutherland).



Paul Kirwan (Blacktown).



Carlos Orgeta (Polonia).

KURINGAI 1 (C. Eaton) POLONIA 2 (Sobczyk 2)

Ground: Melita Stadium.

Crowd: 2300.

Referee: Condon.

Yellow cards: Mortlock.

POLONIA: Steltenpool,

Pritchard, Gekko, Lasek,

Gelas, Cieslik, Thomas, Ger-

lowski, Ortega, Sobczyk,

Smith.

KURINGAI: Antman, Jesse,

Duke, Laek, Mortlock (Re-

bertson 41), Williamson

(Lewis 70), Hanley, Davidson,

Eaton, Reagan, Seach.

The opening match of the

Ampol Cup was an enter-

taining affair with Polonia just

that much more constructive

and positive.

Kuringai looked set for an

easy win in the opening

minutes with Stuart Reagan

and Clive Eaton in a menacing

mood. Steve Davidson hit the

crossbar in the 5th minute

after some good work by Rea-

gan, then came the goal by

Eaton. The ex-Western Sub-

urbs' striker brushed past

some poor defence to slot an

angled drive past Steltenpool

to give Kuringai the lead.

Henry Sobczyk equalised

with a superb solo effort some

five minutes later. He made

his way past three defenders

then calmly lobbed the ball

over the advancing Antman.

Ziggy Garlowski, easily the

best player on the park, almost

scored with three minutes to

go in the first half with a

superb shot which beat

Antman but rebounded off the

crossbar. Kenny Smith latched

onto the rebound and was

brought down inside the area.

Sobczyk made no mistake with

the resultant penalty.

MALNY 0 BLACKTOWN 1

(Kirwan, pen).

Ground: Melita Stadium.

Crowd: 2300.

Referee: A. Morrison.

MALNY: Ellis, Geoghean,

Doyle, Dick, K. Falconer,

Noble, Jones, P. Falconer,

Smith, Van Helden, Jack (His-

cock 49).

BLACKTOWN: Freeman,

Whalley, Razumova, Tur-

bull, Poirier, Brogan, Quar-

my, Welbourne (McLaughlin

49), Lumsdaine, Batten (Larkin

65), Kirwan.

The rivalry which developed

between these sides last year

continued at Melita Stadium

as both teams played at a fast

and furious pace and tackled

fiercely. In the end the

Demons were just that much

faster and more enterprising.

After an even first half the

Demons came out firing on all

cylinders and had Manly

pinned in his half for most of

the second stanza.

Steve Ellis was fully stretch-

ed to make good saves from

Kirwan then McLaughlin in

quick succession, then came a

miss by Scott Lumsdaine with

only 11 minutes to go. It looked

as if Manly was going to force

Blacktown into extra time

when Paul Kirwan picked up a

pass close to goal. Attempting

to go around Geoghean he had

his legs taken from under him

by the Manly defender but re-

covered from the tackle to

make it 1-0 from the penalty

spot.

RIVERWOOD 4 (Parker 2,

Smith, Walker) INTER

MONARO 0

Ground: Melita Stadium.

Crowd: 800.

Referee: R. Doonan.

Yellow cards: Jones, Popo-

vic.

Red card: Charles.

RIVERWOOD: Lachowicz,

Mikas, Forester, Butcher,

Cootes, Smith (Mickovski),

Parker, Davies, Tracey, Walk-

er, Jones.

INTER MONARO: Caputo

(Curtis), Charles, Chico, San-

tolin, Francis, Popovic, Mon-

terosso, Castaneda (Feliz),

Muoro Valeri, Leth, Djordjes-

ki.

understandably, management

committee members are most

reluctant to discuss them.

But they include:

• Lack of meaningful sup-

port — beyond the com-

mitment of \$200,000 of Hakoah

members' money — from

the majority of the club's

board of directors;

• A major split in the board

over the future, with former

soccer president Andrew

Lederer, as well as fellow

directors Blor Glass, Harry

Fulop and Harold Lehmann be-

lieved to be the only voting

members in support of the con-

tinuation of professional foot-

ball on a long-term basis;

• The continued attempts

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by the board's majority to

work towards the complete

separation of professional

soccer from the rest of the

Hakoah Club's activities, in

direct contradiction of the

spirit and possibly even the

letter of the club's articles of

association.

• A muddle over the util-

isation of transfer fees re-

ceived for players such as

Patikas and Spanos, hope-

fully to be solved within a few

days, and major differences of

opinion within the club mem-

bership, with an alliance between

traditionalists and prag-

mats.

tists, who seek renewed em-

phasis on the team's tradi-

tional identity of Hakoah, as

a means of quickly recapturing

the support of the growing

Jewish community, as well as

for reasons of emotional gra-

atification, against those who

seek to continue with a total

Sydney City identity.

Opponents of the latter view

point to the fact that the

team's downward slide in

terms of attracting paying

audiences accelerated dan-

gerously at every stage of

pushing the Hakoah identity

into the background.

They claim that when finally

Hakoah was totally eliminated

from soccer, the team reached

the verge of total liquidation

during the traumatic days of

last November.

The outcome of this debate

may well determine the long-

term future of Australia's pre-

mier soccer outfit, and the

battle may be joined at the

annual meeting of Hakoah on

March 24.

In the meantime, coach

Eddie Thomson has his men in

full training, bolstered by the

unexpected unearthing of an

as yet unnamed young Scottish

goalkeeper, who has "ama-

zed" observers at recent ses-

sions.

Marconi	4/2/83 - MARCONI OVAL
Auburn	
Wollongong City	5/2/83 - MELITA STADIUM
Ku-Ring-Gai	"X"
25/1/83 - MELITA STAD.	
Polonia	
S.S.C. Yugal	4/2/83 - MARCONI OVAL
Croatia Sydney	
Manly W'gah	5/2/83 - MELITA STADIUM
25/1/83 - MELITA STAD.	
Blacktown City	
Melita Eagles	
Bankstown City	5/2/83 - BARTON PARK
St. George BSC	
Sydney Olympic	4/2/83 - BARTON PARK
Riverwood	"Y"
29/1/83 - MELITA STAD.	
Inter Monaro	
Sydney City	4/2/83 - BARTON PARK
Cant.-M'ville	
Leichhardt	5/2/83 - BARTON PARK
Avala	"Z"
29/1/83 - MELITA STAD.	
Sutherland	

This week

This week's Ampol Cup

games Round 2.

Friday, February 4, 1983

MARCONI OVAL:

6.45 - Marconi - Auburn.

8.25 p.m. YUGAL -

CROATIA.

BARTON PARK:

6.45pm SYDNEY CITY -

CANTERBURY.

8.25pm SYDNEY OLYM-

PIC - RIVERWOOD.

SATURDAY, February 5,

1983

MELITA STADIUM:

6.45: Wollongong - Po-

lonia.

8.25: Melita Eagles -

Blacktown.

BARTON PARK:

6.45: Bankstown - St

George.

8.25: Leichhardt - Sutherland.

Jimmy Webber had the last

laugh as he smashed home a

tremendous right foot drive in

the 66th minute from 25

metres to put the issue beyond

doubt and put Sutherland

through to the second round.

SUTHERLAND: Haynes,

Cashman, Hasford, Charfeger,

Delforno, Watkins, Harring-

ton, Webber, Bush (Knowles),

Clinch, Rogers.

In a highly entertaining

game Avala led twice and had

numerous chances to increase

its lead, but fell away during

the second period and in the

end was soundly beaten by the

sharp shooting Sharks.

John Lembrzyk gave Avala

the lead after eight minutes,

then Karanfilovski appeared

to have broken through about

six minutes later only to see

team mate Bruce Tilt ruled off-

side.

Craig Rogers provided an

opening for Shane Clinch

seconds later and Clinch slot-

ted his shot past Ahrens to

equalise.

Avala went into the lead yet

again, after 21 minutes, fol-

lowing a corner kick and a sub-

sequent miss by Mal Haynes.

Branko Kodor pounced onto

the loose ball to make it 2-1.

Antic, then Tilt, missed glar-

ing opportunities for Avala

before Sutherland hit back

through Gary Knowles. It was

an opportunist goal by young



VICTORIAN AMPOL CUP

Smallman and Hird shine in stalemate

JUVENTUS 0 AJAX 0.
First round Ampol Cup match at Olympic Park, Friday night, double header. Crowd: about 6,000. Referee: Hemmes 3.

JUVENTUS: Fantoma 7 - V. Bannan 7, P. Bannan 7, Davidson 7, Hird 8 - Nelson 6, Rogers 7, Swinscoe 7 - French 6, Lloyd 7, Heery 6 (G. Bannan 55th). Coach: John Margeritis.

AJAX: Dony 7 - Peter Lewis 7, Cannell 7, Kramers 6, Hogben 7, Vassallo 6, Smallman 7, Boyle 6, Williams 6 - Toal 7, Paul Lewis 6. Coach: Len McKendry.

WHY NO GOALS? A combination of bad finishing and a lack of understanding among the strikers of both sides, in particular Ajax's Paul Lewis and newcomer Bobby Toal, led to this result.

For the most part the defensive display of the sides was competent. Stuart Cannell, in an unaccustomed sweeper's role, probably will elish a return to the tasks of stopper with new Ajax signing, Steve Short, taking over as sweeper. That's not to denigrate the performance of young Ron Kramers, a product of Ajax's young reserve outfit, who did his job. However, it does seem likely that Short, when fit, will partner Cannell.

Back to the Paul Lewis-Toal partnership. No doubt new Ajax coach Len McKendry will work hard to develop this pair as his key strikers. A few times Toal and Lewis made off-the-ball runs into the same area. Lewis still seems to have a preference to make runs away from a team mate in possession, probably looking for the through ball which served Ajax so well last year. I think Toal, signed recently from George Cross for \$1,500, will improve markedly under McKendry and by the season's end will be regarded as one of the most polished and intelligent strikers in State League. He comes off opponents well and turns sharply, qualities which McKendry will hone.

Juventus' recent signing from Albion, Kevin Lloyd, didn't finish well. Two of the best chances of the match fell to him. On each occasion he didn't connect cleanly when shooting from about 10 metres out.

THE CHANCES: A fine long, through ball from David Smallman in the 12th minute found Peter Boyle in the clear. The former West Adelaide and Makedonia midfielder was on the left of the Juventus area and as the ball bounced in front of him he volleyed over from a fairly acute angle.

Toal almost nipped in between two Juventus defenders in the 40th minute and poked the ball past Alex Fantoma then 10 minutes later Lloyd miskicked from directly in front.

Ged Bannan, not fully fit, replaced Tony Heery in the 55th minute and shortly after took a free kick on the left. He sent the ball across to the far post where Kevin Swinscoe challenged strongly with Lou Denys. The ball fell to Lloyd who shot wide.

Lloyd finally tucked the ball away in the 65th minute only to be ruled offside and a minute later a superb lay off from French set up another Juventus newcomer, Billy Rogers from South Melbourne Hellas, but the blond headed midfielder miskicked from 10 metres.

In the last minute Paul Lewis almost scored. He shot hard and low from the right side of the area and when the ball seemed destined to elude Fantoma and flash just inside the far post the Juventus goalkeeper reacted quickly to dive down and stop the ball with one hand.

GOOD PERFORMANCES: Referee Lou Hemmes certainly doesn't belong here nevertheless something has to be said about his display. There were three occasions on which penalties should have been awarded.

I thought that Vince Bannan clearly made contact from behind on Paul Lewis in the 9th minute, tripping the Ajax striker well inside the area.

Peter Lewis took a long throw-in from the right touchline in the 60th minute. Smallman was at the near post and was about to jump and head on when Paddy Bannan pushed him in the back.

In the 69th minute Willie Vassallo clearly tripped Lloyd who was about to shoot. On the credit side, Smallman was impressive. He played in one of the central positions in Ajax's midfield quartet but clearly he was instructed to get into Juventus area whenever possible. This was most evident early in the match and I've got a feeling that Smallman is going to score a fair few goals this season.

Juventus left back Harry Hird was in the top three in that position in State League last year and he looks set to repeat the feat. The tall, elegant Hird is tremendously cool under pressure.

MOST VALUABLE PLAYER: The two just mentioned stood out for their respective sides. Paddy Bannan organised Juventus well at the back while Ajax captain Peter Lewis was his team's best defender.

MOST DISAPPOINTING PLAYER: Tony Heery of Juventus has got close ball skill to burn and should be one of Juve's best vehicles of attack but the wee man just couldn't get involved in this game.

The same can be said about Ajax's Willie Vassallo.

—CRAIG MACKENZIE

HEIDELBERG 1 (Selenidis 15th) HELLAS 1 (Wooddin 89th). First round Ampol Cup match at Olympic Park, Saturday night, double header. Crowd about 12,000. Referee: Chris Bambridge 6.

SOUTH MELBOURNE HELLAS: Laumets 5 - Russell 7, Xanthopoulos 6, Blair 7, Davidson 10 - Halford 7, Murphy 7 - Campbell 5 (Nicolaides 54th), Evans 6 (Wooddin 6, 42nd), Egan 6, Buljevic 6. Coach: Rale Rasic.

HEIDELBERG-ALEXANDER: Oliver 5 - Spanos 6 - McMillan 9, Yankos 7, Angelo 7, Tansey 7 - Selenidis 8, Taylor 6 - Toro 7 (Paton 52nd) - Campbell 6, Cole 5. Coach: Ken Morton.

REASON FOR THE DRAW: A referee's error allowed Hellas to stay in the match with a one-goal instead of a two-goal deficit, and although it took long enough, the gap was not insurmountable. The error in question was referee Bambridge's decision to disallow what should have been a legitimate goal, scored by Ken Taylor with a 25-metre lob over goalkeeper Jeff Oliver. It was disallowed for offside, yet there was no interference with play and the goalkeeper had no-one within yelling distance of him. Heidelberg had a 1-0 lead shortly afterwards when

Wooddin saves Hellas with last gasp goal

Two Selenidis scored, but it should have been 2-0 by then. Heidelberg had little influence in the midfield during the second half, when Hellas gave it everything it had - blood, sweat, tears and lots of value for money which finally resulted in the equalising goal.

THE TACTICS: Heidelberg coach Ken Morton had spoken of an all-out attack and hitting Hellas with everything, so his formation was surprising. With John Yzendorff withdrawing that afternoon due to a groin strain, John Spanos took the sweeper's position behind a four-man defence in which Charlie Egan and Joe Angele picked up Alan Evans. Theo Selenidis and Ken Taylor did midfield duties, Juan Toro Castillo who tired as the game wore on, got in a few solid tackles but played basically as an attacking player whose task was to set up chances for Gary Cole and Jim Campbell, the

two strikers, in breakaways. Hellas played 4-2-4 and defence, with only two men to mark, had the freedom to link up with the forward men. Alan Davidson did so throughout the match, Bobby Russell and Steve Blair to a lesser degree. But Hellas's all-out attack, especially in the second half, created severe congestion in the Heidelberg penalty area, where 10 men were defending for much of the time. To relieve the congestion, coach Rasic took off a forward, George Campbell, and brought on a defender, Socrates Nicolaides, to enable Davidson to stay in midfield as part of a three-man force which Rasic hoped might break through from the "second line".

THE TURNING POINT: Definitely was that disallowed goal by Taylor. It gave Heidelberg confidence in its attacking possibilities at a time when Hellas was winning a larger share of the play.

THE GOALS: 15th minute: Selenidis rises to a corner taken by Toro on the right and heads Heidelberg into a 1-0 lead.

69th minute: Davidson makes a run down the left, calls for the ball and gets it. Arthur McMillan closes him down but Davidson delivers his cross under pressure. Branko Buljevic, in the area by the far post, gets up to nod the ball back to substitute Steve Wooddin who lobbs it over goalkeeper Oliver.

NEAR-MISSES: 11th: That offside-goal by Ken Taylor.

38th: Evans, on the turn, misses from close range.

44th: Toro to Taylor whose cross is headed down by Cole to Jim Campbell in a scoring position but Ken Murphy flies in front of Campbell to break it up.

61st: Jamie Paton gets away on the break, delays and then releases it square to Gary Cole who has only goalkeeper Peter Laumets to beat. He angles his shot past advancing Laumets but also past the far post.

GOOD PERFORMANCES:

Alan Davidson was by far the best player on the field, the heart and soul of all of Hellas's forward moves. He started at left back but had no-one to mark there, so he spent the rest of the game attacking. Juan Toro was exciting and tricky as usual, and contrary to reports, he can tackle as well. He fired a little and was eventually replaced, but he'll be a big hit this year, particularly after Heidelberg is joined by Bob Vincent of Sunderland and Michael Angus of Middlesbrough who will provide the defensive cover for him in midfield. Theo Selenidis had an excellent first half but faded in the second half.

MOST VALUABLE PLAYER: Alan Davidson.

MOST DISAPPOINTING PLAYER: There were lots, but the nod goes to Gary Cole.

COACHES' COMMENTS: Ken Morton: "Our defence died away because we weren't winning the ball in midfield during the second half. Yet we could have won it had the ball been between Paton and Cole paid off."

Rale Rasic: "We had them on the run for 70 minutes, so it was about time we got the goal."

—LAURIE SCHWAB

STANDINGS

SECTION "A"							
	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Falcons	1	1	0	0	1	0	2
Heidelberg	1	0	1	0	1	1	1
S.M. Hellas	1	0	1	0	1	1	1
Croatia	1	0	0	1	0	1	0
SECTION "B"							
	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
J.U.S.T	1	0	1	0	0	0	1
Makedonia	1	0	1	0	0	0	1
Ajax	1	0	1	0	0	0	1
Juventus	1	0	1	0	0	0	1



New Hellas right back Bobby Russell (right) in a race for the ball against Heidelberg's Jim Campbell.

Brogan and Latif shackled

MORWELL FALCONS 1 (McGuinness 52nd) CROATIA 0. First round Ampol Cup match at Olympic Park, Saturday night, double header. Crowd: about 12,000. Referee: Creamer 4.

MORWELL FALCONS: Whitelade 7 - Smart 7, Higham 8, Irvine 7, Neil 7 - Bingham 7, Young 6, O'Callaghan 7 - Mitten 8, McGuinness 7, McClunzie 7. Coach: Tony Boggi.

CROATIA: McRae 7 - Curcio 6, Perton 7, Adams 7, Bilaver 7 - Biskic 6 (Gojovic 59th), Antolovic 7, Faulkner 8, Cumming 6 - Brogan 6, Latif 6 (Dankovic 59th). Coach: John Gardiner.

REASON FOR VICTORY: Morwell was far more effective up front. Croatia's strikers, Dave Brogan and Osman Latif, were shut out of the game. No doubt Croatia's heirarchy rues Jeff Faulkner's misdirected volley with four minutes left but it was only due to two bad refereeing decisions that Falcons weren't awarded two penalties. In the second half Ante Bilaver clearly felled John O'Callaghan from behind and later

Sean Parton tripped Richie McClunzie. Both offences were blatant but play was waved on.

THE TACTICS: Morwell coach Tony Boggi assigned John Higham, his captain, the task of tagging Brogan. Dave O'Neil, who returned to Ireland last Sunday, completely blotted out Latif.

Falcons' newcomer Eric Young, ex-Manchester United, Darlington and Stockport, the venture far forward, in fact he looked more like a defensive midfielder rather than the playmaker you expect from a central midfielder in a 4-3-3 formation.

Tommy Cumming, making a welcome return after a two year absence due to severe injury, played on the left side of Croatia's midfield quartet. I suspect that many in the crowd wanted to see the wee man running at defenders and getting into the opposition area more often-but Cumming had been allocated his winger's role of old. Still, it was a delight to see Cumming back in action. Let's hope that he can complete a successful comeback.

THE TURNING POINT: The first real hint of Falcons' ability to get in behind the Croatia defence came in the 25th minute when Noel Mitten beat the advancing Rob McCrae in a race to the ball but only could push it just wide of the near post.

Up until then Falcons for the most part were pinned inside their defensive half. Croatia had had far more possession but very little penetration.

At the second half unfolded Falcons increasingly looked threatening, buoyed by their ability to fairly comfortably keep Croatia at bay.

THE GOAL: A header - one for the McGuinness scrapbook. This rarity took place in the 52nd minute thanks to a great near post cross from Mitten. McGuinness jumped unchallenged and from five metres headed firmly past helpless McRae.

MOST VALUABLE PLAYER: As far as Falcons are concerned it's a toss up between Mitten and Higham. Mitten not only looked threatening he also was creative and Higham shackled Brogan, Croatia's best striker.

Faulkner clearly was the pick of the Croatia players.

MOST DISAPPOINTING PLAYER: McGuinness doesn't look fully fit. He was nowhere near as mobile as he showed himself to be during his goalscoring spree at Juventus a couple of seasons ago.

Latif was very disappointing. His inability to move around made him easy pickings for opponent Neil.

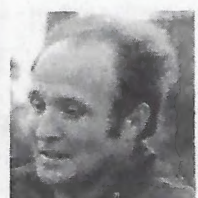
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Kupinic replaces Adam

Metro Second Division club Richmond now is coached by Mike Kupinic, ex-J.U.S.T., Western Suburbs and Richmond player. Jim Adam was appointed coach of Richmond last year. One month on and Kupinic now is in charge. Dragon Vasic from J.U.S.T. was transferred to Richmond last weekend for \$1,800. Mirko Rujevic also will play with the German sponsored club. Rujevic was freed by Northcote.

Bennett, Train to Falcons, Vincent Yzendoorn in?

By LAURIE SCHWAB

Morwell Falcons, the only winner of the first Ampol Cup round, have to replace both full backs — Grant Smart and David Neill — for the match against Heidelberg on Friday night.

Smart is going to the UK for six weeks, and Neill has returned to Ireland because his religious convictions prohibit him from continuing to play on Sundays.

Jim Train from Doveton is likely to be signed this week as Morwell's new left back, and the club was expected also to make a bid for Gerry Bennett, the right back Hellas bought last year from Ajax. Bennett is on the transfer list at \$5000 now that Hellas has bought Bobby Russell from Adelaide City.



Jim Train

Heidelberg was expecting midfielder Bob Vincent to arrive from England, where he played for Sunderland, so we might see him make his debut. John Yzendoorn also is likely to be back after missing last week's game through injury.

Yzendoorn's return would push John Spanos from the sweeper's position into the midfield alongside Theo Selemidis and Vincent if he arrives in time, or Ken Taylor.

Falcons, whose attack of Bobby McGuinness, Richie McClunie and especially Noel Mitten, was probably the most productive of the first round, will be hoping for a better performance by recruit Eric Young for whom nothing went right against Croatia.

J.U.S.T. recruit Gus Macleod predicted last week his team would not only beat Makedonia but also win the Ampol Cup. Well, J.U.S.T. managed only a draw with Make-

donia, but Macleod stuck with the other prediction.

Certainly J.U.S.T. showed a lot of determination and it's likely that coach Bobby McLachlan will use Frankston recruit Graham Tutill from the start against Juventus tonight (Wednesday) instead of only as a substitute.

J.U.S.T.'s midfield will have to play the ball forward much more quickly against Juventus, otherwise the solid Juventus defence will come out on top as it did against Ajax.

Billy Rogers has added bite to the Juventus midfield and Kevin Lloyd is all commitment and fire up front. Once he and Graham French are rejoined by Fabio Incantupo, Juventus will be among the leading contenders

for the State League championship.

We may see Alex Marshall of Polonia making his debut for Croatia against Hellas in the later match on Friday.

Marshall, the biggest man in State League, can play mid-field, striker or stopper, and it's likely that Croatia will use him up front, where he would have an epic battle with Steve Blair.

But despite the presence of Marshall and Tommy Cumming, Croatia cannot match Hellas in all-round ability, fitness and determination, so there can be only one outcome: a Hellas victory.

Makedonia is improving its fitness by the week and should be too strong for Ajax in the later game tonight (Wednesday).

Steve Short, bought from Croatia for \$7500, is likely to make his Ajax debut as sweeper, meaning that young Ron Kremers loses his place in the team.

Ajax will not get value from Paul Lewis if it doesn't give him more through balls rather than asking him to turn with the ball. Using mainly his pace, Paul Lewis was the top State League goalscorer last season.

Makedonia will get ever-improving performances from striker George McMillan and Gary Ward. These two, plus Doug Brown, who was quite impressive against J.U.S.T., are likely to get the better of the Ajax defence, mighty as it may be.

All Ampol Cup dates

Draw and dates of the Victorian Ampol Cup Competition.
Section 'A': Heidelberg United, South Melbourne, Hellas, Melbourne Croatia, Morwell Falcons.
Section 'B': Preston Makedonia, Footscray J.U.S.T., Green Gully Ajax, Juventus.

Remaining games:

Wednesday February 2: 1st Game: Footscray J.U.S.T. v B. Juventus. 2nd Game: Makedonia v Green Gully Ajax.

Friday February 4: 1st Game: Heidelberg United v Morwell Falcons. 2nd Game: Melbourne Croatia v South Melbourne Hellas.

Friday February 11: 1st Game: Makedonia v Juventus. 2nd Game: Footscray J.U.S.T. v Green Gully Ajax.

Saturday February 12: 1st Game: South Melbourne Hellas v Morwell Falcons. 2nd Game: Heidelberg United v Melbourne Croatia.

Friday February 18: Semi Finals: 1st Game: Winner of Section 'B' v Runner Up Section 'A'. 2nd Game: Winner of Section 'A' v Runner Up Section 'B'.

Saturday February 26: Finals: 1st Game: Junior Ampol Cup Final. 2nd Game: Senior Ampol Cup Final.



J.U.S.T.'s new striker, Gus Macleod (right) is beaten to the ball by Makedonia goalkeeper Richard Wood. Pictures by LES SHOR ROCK.

'Ollie' outsubs Argentina

FOOTSCRAY J.U.S.T. 0 PRESTON MAKEDONIA 0. First round Ampol Cup match at Olympic Park Friday night, double header. Crowd: 6000. Referee: Venios 5.

FOOTSCRAY J.U.S.T.: Boland 8 — Stocjevski 7, O'Reilly 7, Kondarios 7, Hazabent 8 — Jovanovic 6, Ilioski 7, Belic 7 — Simic 6 (Tutill 60th), Macleod 6, Lujic 6. Coach: Bobby McLachlan.

PRESTON MAKEDONIA: Wilson 7 — Opasinas 8, Todorovski 7 (Little 50th inj. Ollerton 65th), Jones 7, Petrovski 7 — Whittle 6, Flavell 6, Lucchesi 6 (Farrell 60th) — Brown 7, McMillan 6, Ward 6. Coach: Peter Ollerton.

WHY NO GOALS? Neither side was capable of creating enough chances.

THE CHANCES: There only were two good scoring opportunities, the better one falling to Makedonia in the second minute.

J.U.S.T. sweeper Jim O'Reilly headed wide inside his own area but Makedonia striker Doug Brown was quick enough to retrieve the ball before it went out for a corner and sent it curling across to the far post. Gary Ward charged in but almost unbelievably headed wide from four metres.

Two minutes from the end an attempted clearance inside the Makedonia area ricocheted back to J.U.S.T. newcomer Gus Macleod but the former Ajax striker shot wide of the near post from just eight metres.

THE TACTICS: Makedonia coach Peter Ollerton and new J.U.S.T. coach Bobby McLachlan have shown a liking for man-to-man mark-

ing and used that tactic here. Young Con Opasinas was given the job of marking Zdravko Lujic, J.U.S.T.'s main avenue of attack. Ljube Petrovski was pitted against Paul Simic while David Jones tagged Macleod. For the most part Slobodan Stojcevski found himself squaring up to Ward. Literally, Ward tried to rough up the youngster in the second half but failed.

Ollerton used more subs than Argentina did in the Malvinas, three all told.

GOOD PERFORMANCES: From a team point of view both coaches can be satisfied with the result. Makedonia is far from being a fit outfit but that problem easily is remedied.

J.U.S.T.'s defence is competent. It lacks a bit of "dig" in midfield and firepower up front. It only was in the second half, when former Frankston City player Graham Tutill came on, that big Macleod was given a few balls in the air. Tutill impressed in the short time he played. He's a class player and he should make his mark in the national league.

MOST VALUABLE PLAYER: From J.U.S.T.'s point of view this honor should fall upon left back Igor Hazabent who not only defended well but got forward, especially in the second half, and was one of the driving forces behind J.U.S.T.'s late, vain onslaught.

Opasinas was Makedonia's most valuable player because he took Lujic out of the game.

MOST DISAPPOINTING PLAYER: George McMillan disappointed me. He's had far better games against Jim Kondarios. J.U.S.T. midfielder Slobodan Jovanovic is an immensely talented player yet he rarely got involved in this match.

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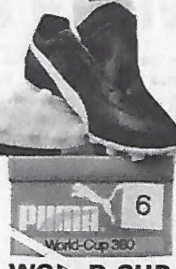
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SOUTH MELBOURNE HELLAS
3 (Bozinovski Penalty 15th,
Kalamakis 25th, 50th) at
Chaplin Reserve, Sunday.

SUNSHINE-GEORGE
CROSS: Contini 6 - Gambin
5, Richardson 7, Ellis 5,
Mussel 5, Waters 5, McRob
ert 5, Pato 5 - Mudrinc 5,
Gilder 7, Mizi 5. Coach: Tony
Vella.

SOUTH MELBOURNE HELLAS
LAS: Perrea 8 - Postoglou
7, Kalamakis 7, Hanneb 8,
Vardakis 8 - van Egmond 7,
Bozinovski 7, Kaiser 6 (Kalo
girov 45th) - Abraham 7, Pat
sakos 7, Katsidas 55th, Ka
lamakis 8. Coach: Jim Arm
strong.

Sunshine-George Cross
is very keen to sign South
Melbourne Hellas mid
fielder John Stevenson and
it is believed that coaches
Tony Vella and Rale Rasic
discussed the possibility
last weekend.

Transfer listed Doveton
striker Steve Irvine has been
training with Sunshine-George
Cross and is about to appear
before the VSF appeals tribu
nal in an attempt to lower the
\$5000 price on his head.

The new Chaplin Reserve
combine only could muster 13
players for Sunday's clash
with a very young Hellas out
fit. Dave Rigby was unavail
able, Nick Lowe, Steve
Scerri, Harry McKinlay and
Steve Lawson were unfit while
Roger Bain, Chris Taylor and
Hugh McCann still are over
seas. When this last trio
returns, Sunshine-George
Cross will have visa problems.
There only can be three tem
porary visa players with any
one national league or State
League club but Sunshine
George Cross has five such
players on its books - Bain,
Taylor, McCann, Norrie Pate
and Steve Richardson, a young
Scottish defender imported
last year.

The future of Sunshine
George Cross goalkeeper "Roc
ky" Tachiris is in doubt. The
youngster had been training
with Hellas but negotiations
broke down and he could
remain at Chaplin Reserve.

Rob Nelson is player-coach
of Metro Second Division club
North Dandenong and Damien
Morgan and Billy Wilkinson



Steve Irvine (left) of Doveton and John Stevenson (right) of Hellas: George Cross wants both of them.

are transfer listed. Clubs
interested in talking to Morgan
or Wilkinson should phone 312
3924, after 6.30pm.

At least two of last year's
players want to leave. Full
back Danny Davidson and
stopper George Hannah are
keen to join other clubs. Da
vidson can be contacted at
home on 465 1759. He has a
maximum transfer fee of
\$2500. Hannah can be con
tacted on 531 1830.

Hellas coach Jim Arm
strong fielded only three
players on Sunday who were
over 20 years of age - Han
nah, Pope Abraham and Tom
Patsakos. Superb finishing
from young Jim Kalamakis
and a well taken penalty by
Vlado Bozinovski gave Hel
las its deserved 3-1 victory. Hel
las was the fitter outfit and took
charge of the first half. The
second half was a different
affair as the Hellas midfield
started to give the ball away
too easily, however Sunshine
George Cross wasn't good
enough to capitalise.

Hawke seeks move

Experienced goalkeeper Terry Hawke is looking for a transfer.

Hawke, who has played for Mooroolbark, Frankston, Heidelberg, Juventus (twice), and Wilhelmina, can be contacted on 862 2304 (home) or 598 8211 (bus.)

All the dates

The following is the draw, dates and venues for the remaining games of the Buffalo Cup competition:

The draw is as follows:
Section A: Maribyrnong
Polonia, Croydon City,
Albion Rovers, Ringwood
City, Wilhelmina, Fawkn
er; Section B: South Melbourne
Hellas, Sunshine George
Cross, Doveton, Northcote
City, Box Hill.

The dates are:
Sunday February 6, 3 pm:
Fawkn v Croydon City,
Albion Rovers v Ringwood
City W, Maribyrnong Po
lonia (bye), Box Hill v Sun
shine George Cross, Doveton
v Northcote City, S. M.
Hellas (bye).

Wednesday February 9, 6
pm: Fawkn v Albion Ro
vers, Ringwood City W. M.
Polonia, Croydon City (bye),
Box Hill v Doveton, North
cote City v S. M. Hellas, Sun
shine George Cross (bye).

Sunday February 13, 3
pm: Ringwood City W. v
Croydon City, Albion Rovers
v M. Polonia, Fawkn
(bye), Northcote City v Sun
shine George Cross, Doveton
v S. M. Hellas, Box Hill
(bye).

Sunday February 20, 3
pm: Croydon City v Albion
Rovers, M. Polonia v Faw
kn, Ringwood City W. v Hel
mina (bye), Sunshine
George Cross v Doveton, S.
M. Hellas v Box Hill, North
cote City (bye).

Sunday February 27, 3 pm
Semi-finals: Section A
winner v Section B runner-up
and vice versa.

Sunday March 6, 3 pm:
Final

They'll meet Queensland

The following players are in the preliminary squad for the interstate game between Queensland and Victoria to be played in Brisbane on Sunday February 20:

Jeff Oliver (Heidel); Steve Potter (Prest), Peter Lewis (Ajax), Charlie Yankos (Heidel); John Zindoor (Heidel); Steve Blair (Hellas); Alan Davidson (Hellas); Jim Campbell (Heidel); Ken Murphy (Hellas); Stefan Mila (Pol); Zoran Hlaski (JUST); Fabian Incantano (Juve); Charlie Egan (Hellas); Gary Cole (Heidel); Paul Lewis (Ajax); George Campbell (Hellas); Steve Woodin (Hellas); Doug Brown (Prest).

Coach: John White, Assistant to coach: Bob McLachlan.

VICTORIAN

Fawkn v Croydon	Box Hill v Sun-G.C.	Albion v R'wood W.	Doveton v North
LAURIE SCHWAB	Fawkn	Box Hill	Albion
CRAIG MACKENZIE	Draw	Box Hill	Albion
LES SHORROCK	Fawkn	Sun-G.C.	Albion
			Doveton

By CRAIG MACKENZIE

The Buffalo Cup, involving 10 State League clubs, kicked off last weekend amid confusion over the rules of competition governing the duration of each match.

The Fawkn-Wilhelmina clash last Saturday was a 35 minute each way affair. Box Hill and Northcote battled for 45 minutes each way the following day. Croydon and Polonia played 40 minutes each way while Sunshine-George Cross and Hellas played 35 minutes each way.

Obviously referees are in total confusion over the correct duration of matches. That only can mean that there has been a major breakdown in communication between Soccer House and the refs and unless this mix-up is immedi

ately rectified the 1983 Buffalo Cup will dissolve into a farce.

This weekend sees the entry of Doveton and Albion Rovers into the competition. Doveton looks likely to lose left back Jim Train to Morwell Falcons and striker Steve Irvine to George Cross. The Doves have been successful so far in rebuffing approaches for John Dowie and Ian Stirton, their two talented imports. Heidelberg, J.U.S.T. and Ajax have made approaches to Doveton over Dowie, the former Fulham and Glasgow Celtic midfielder.

STANDINGS

	SECTION "A"						
	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Croydon	1	1	0	0	2	1	2
Fawkner	1	0	1	0	0	0	1
Wilhelmina	1	0	1	0	0	0	1
Polonia	1	0	0	1	1	2	0
Albion	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

	SECTION "B"						
	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
S. M. Hellas	1	1	0	0	3	1	2
Box Hill	1	1	0	0	1	0	2
Northcote	1	0	0	1	0	1	0
Sun-G. Cross	1	0	0	1	1	3	0
Doveton	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Geelong Cup

Geelong soccer teams are competing for prizemoney and trophies worth \$2,000 in a five-week pre-season tournament.

Prizemoney totals \$1,500. The winning team will receive \$800, runner-up \$400, third \$200 and fourth \$100. The winner will also receive a replica of the Geelong Advertiser Cup.

Last year's Geelong Advertiser Cup was won by Corio, which defeated Geelong United 3-2 in a tense final that

saw the winning goal scored in extra time.

Games are played each Wednesday and Friday evening at the Geelong Soccer Club's ground, Stead Park, Norlane, with the final on February 25.

The Geelong Advertiser regards its expanded soccer coverage and the Geelong Advertiser Cup as an important service to Geelong's large ethnic community.

Roggero boys at Juve

Two Doveton youngsters, Marko and Victor Roggero, are having the thrill of a lifetime training with mighty Juventus of Turin.

Their father, Leo Roggero of Dillon and Inkster real estate agents, tells us that young Marko scored two goals in a recent game for the Juventus youth side and club officials were so impressed that they decided both boys should stay at Juventus for at least another month.

And where it stops nobody knows

It was difficult to get a horse on the "Magic Roundabout", and once astride it, you fell off quite frequently.

With experience, however, you learned to stand at the side of the "Magic Roundabout", and sooner or later a riderless horse would come along.

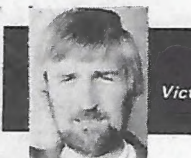
The annual coaches roundabout reminded me of the famous carousel in the renowned children's programme "Magic Roundabout". The number of changes in coaches during the summer months is quite staggering, as club administrators provide more evidence of the instability that exists in the coaching profession. To my knowledge, eight national league teams have a new man at the helm or an old man at the new helm, whichever way one looks at it. In the Victorian State League the picture is similar, as seven of the 14 clubs have changed coaches. The pattern continues as one looks through the lower divisions.

I suppose the obvious reason for the changes is the clubs' eagerness for a successful formula. If one strips away the titles and surroundings of all

the above teams, the coach in each faces very similar problems.

Clearly, the higher up the scale the greater becomes his responsibility, and the more people who will be affected by his decisions. Yet, in reducing his role to the simplest terms the task of the coach, in whatever level he participates, is to produce a successful team.

If success only is measured by winning a championship then the majority of clubs will be disappointed, and once again the scramble will begin to sustain a horse on the "Magic Roundabout". Perhaps, if clubs considered more carefully the word "purpose" when selecting the coach then perhaps stability would become more evident, which will help the coach and in the long run, the clubs. To steer the team in the right direction it is necessary to have a purpose, from which will emerge a number of factors concerning the club and/or the team.



TIM WHITE
Victorian coaching director

A number of the factors may be long term but short term objectives can be set to help achieve the purpose.

In practical terms the coach must be given time to blend his players into a unit suitable to their individual and collective talents. He must be given time to develop young players which unfortunately does not always go hand in hand with winning Championships. On the latter subject Clubs could assist their financial situation but must remember developing young players takes time and a skilful coach.

I find it very frustrating this early in the season when I read of teams being tipped for relegation because they are operating with home grown young players. The yardstick

appears to be what one spends on the transfer market and not what work the coach has done with his players.

The young players are written off with words like "untried", "inexperienced", etc. Of course they are untried and inexperienced at the moment but the only way to get experience is to play and get old. Coaches would be well advised to do their homework before spending the club's hard earned money as there are a number of good young players emerging who, with help, will do just as good a job on the field and probably a far better job off the field.

It is apparent that some coaches are splashing out on the market in an attempt to buy early success. Others

cannot buy because the club cannot produce the dollars. In both cases the end result could well depend on the ability of the coach to get down to the nitty gritty of the game on training nights. His ability to blend their defensive qualities with their attacking flair and his ability to recognise individual talent in his players and to allow them freedom to express these talents is all-important.

Spectators and administrators always will disagree concerning team selection but coaches should remember that the team which the spectator selects never plays therefore never loses.

However, on the other hand it never wins either, so in the emotional trauma which team selection seems to stir up, coaches never should lose sight of basic truths and have confidence in their own ability to identify and solve problems. In doing this they always must retain an open and enquiring mind, as a closed mind indicates that a coach knows it all. An open mind receives new ideas. An enquiring mind can evaluate those ideas.

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Super sparkles as Olympic wins Cup

St George 2 Syd Olympic 2

Ground: St George Stadium.
Crowd: 6185
Referee: Peter Ramplay 6.
Yellow cards: Ratcliffe
Goals: Scott, Herbert (SO), Slater, Ratcliffe (SG).
ST GEORGE: Greedy, Skewen, M. O'Shea, R. O'Shea, Ratcliffe, Barton (86' Koczka), Stone, Wilkinson, J. O'Shea, Marton.

SYDNEY OLYMPIC: Meier, Rogers (Dakos 56'), Rowden, Herbert, Scott (Svinos 56'), Raskopoulos, Phillips, Katholos, Soper, Koussas (Dounis 71'), Jennings.

Sydney Olympic snatched a dramatic equaliser in the dying seconds to take the Challenge Cup and \$2,500 prize-money. Saints appeared to have the Cup in the bag, as the last seconds of the game were ticking away. Then suddenly, Olympic burst through, looking for an equaliser. As the ball was played through to the Olympic forwards at least three of them appeared to be offside. Marshall Soper took the ball and set sail for the Saints' penalty area as Saints players besieged the referee with appeals. Terry Greedy appeared to pull Marshall Soper down and the referee awarded Olympic the penalty which was converted by Ricky Herbert to make it 2-2.

St George's players were stunned at the decision and pleaded with the referee to consult the linesman, Roger Dounay. However, Mr Ramplay was adamant and the decision stood.

St George had a great start, scoring two goals in the opening 14 minutes. It was Dez Marton's pass which found Robbie Slater wide on the right in the eighth minute. Slater turned Scott, then unleashed a powerful left footer which eluded Gary Meier to give Saints the lead.

David Ratcliffe outjumped Olympic's defence to score again following a corner kick from the right and all seemed lost for Olympic.

However, Olympic came back minutes later to score through Andy Scott after a neat chip by Peter Katholos and the game was up for grabs once again.

It was an even affair in the second half with St George always the more positive and more constructive side until that last-minute penalty and Olympic's moment of glory. Ironically, Marshall Soper, the man who was supposed to be suspended for this game made the difference with that short burst of speed to be brought down inches away from scoring yet again, for the third successive game.

An official of the APia club was enraged over Soper's inclusion in Olympic's side for the final and made his protest heard loud and clear. He objected to Saints allowing Soper to play after it was agreed that two yellow cards during the tournament would carry an automatic one match suspension!

APIA 3 Wollongong 0

Ground: St George Stadium
Crowd: 6,185
Referee: Tim Davies 8.
Yellow cards: Ainsworth
Goals: Bradley 2, Pullen.
APIA LEICHHARDT: Parks (Woodhouse), Carter, Brown, Soper, Pullen, Treddinick, Morsello (van Edmond 89'), Bradley, Valeri (Godzik 82'), McBrean (Zaccarone 82'), Giampaolo.
WOLLONGONG: Preston, Willis, Pollard, Piac, Fleming, Waldron, Kerr, Gaffney, O'Connor.

Wollongong Wolves looked more like pussycats as APIA toyed with them to register a convincing 3-0 win and finish in third place in the Challenge Cup.

Had Sebastian Giampaolo had his shooting boots on, Wolves would have gone home with their tails well and truly burnt. It was a game of missed chances by popular Baz.

If it's any consolation to this skilful player, then let's mention that Tony Morsello missed

St George, APIA, Olympic and Wollongong competed in a well-attended "Super Challenge Cup" series in Sydney and Wollongong. ALEX VESIC and PHILIP MICALLET report

about the same number of chances as Valeri should have done better on at least two occasions.

Valeri and Giampaolo worked well to create the opening for John Bradley for APIA's first goal. Bradley received the ball some 18 metres from goal and curled a right foot shot wide of Preston. Three minutes later, in the 20th, Bradley was on the spot again to receive a pass from Valeri then slam it into the far corner for his and APIA's number two goal.

Peter Treddinick's corner in the 68th minute was missed by Preston but not by Pullen as the tall defender came forward to nudge the ball over the line from inches away.

St George 6 Wollongong 2

First round
Scores: Marton 2, Slater 2, J. O'Shea, Willis op, Fonana 2 (W).

Ground: St George Stadium
Crowd: 5627
ST GEORGE: Greedy (Fraser), M. O'Shea, R. O'Shea, Barton, Ratcliffe, Stone, J. O'Shea, Wilkinson, Stone (Pauli), Muskovits, Marton (Koczka).

WOLLONGONG: Preston (Vardareff 41st 61'), Willis (Grant), Pollard, Piac, Ainsworth, Waldron, Kerr, Gaffney, Cotton, Fontana (Rogers), O'Connor.

Referee: Tony Boskovic.

After only ten minutes of the first half the home side was three goals up with the first goal being scored after only 20 seconds.

The crowd hardly had time to settle down as Robert O'Shea sprang into action to pick up a pass on the left flank. A few short steps followed then a left foot curler into the penalty area for Robbie Slater to head home Saints' first goal.

Willis, attempting to clear, drove the ball past Jim Preston for an own goal and only three minutes later, Slater was in the thick of things again as he found room on the left flank, then crossed low for John O'Shea to make it 3-0.

But with Phil O'Connor, Cotton and Fontana looking for openings, the game suddenly turned into a turn with the visitors scoring two quick goals through Glen Fontana.

Then Dez Marton scored from a penalty and with 18 minutes remaining, tempers flared in midfield as Alan Waldron and Paul Wilkinson got their marching orders from Tony Boskovic.

Two minutes later Saints put the issue beyond doubt with the best goal of the night. It was a Marton special. He came in from an acute angle on the right flank, beating three players on his way to get into shooting position before hitting a low left foot drive past Vardareff.

With 10 minutes remaining, Slater scored his second goal after some good work by Peter Stone and John Muskovits.

Syd. Olympic 2 APIA 0

Goals: Soper 2.
Ground: St George Stadium
Crowd: 5627
Referee: Doug Rennie
Yellow cards: Soper, Koussas, Pullen, Bertone.

SYDNEY OLYMPIC: Meier, Rogers (Akoutas), Herbert, Ziras (Rowden), Scott, Raskopoulos, Phillips, Katholos, Soper, Koussas (Dounis 71'), Jennings.

APIA LEICHHARDT: Parks (Woodhouse), Carter, Brown, Botallico (Casschla), Pullen, Da Ceglie (Treddinick), Morsello (Godzik), McBrean, Bradley, Valeri, Giampaolo.

This large, predominantly Sydney Olympic crowd went wild as Marshall Soper ran in to pick up a rebound and slam it home from an acute angle, after Parks failed to hold a shot from Peter Raskopoulos. Soper did his familiar "Channon" victory dance and the crowd spilled onto the ground to welcome its new hero.

Soper scored his second goal

close to the end with a brilliant 18 metre drive which gave Woodhouse no chance. However, this dream debut might have been just a bad dream had referee Rennie taken sterner action against a vicious Soper tackle on Tony Morsello after only 11 minutes.

Olympic 4 Wollongong 1

Scores: Scott (W) own goal 32nd, Herbert (O) 36th, Soper (O) 38th, Soper (O) 50th, Soper (O) 56th.

Venue: Ziems Park, Corral, Crowd: 2000 approx. (double header)

OLYMPIC: Wilson 6 - Rogers 6 (Zvinos 65th) Rowden 6 Scott (Dakos 65th) Herbert 6 - Phillips 7, Katholos 7, Raskopoulos 7 - Soper 8, Koussas 6 (Dounis 41st), Jennings 7.

WOLLONGONG: Preston 6 (Vardareff 41st 61') - Willis 6, De Groot 6, Piac 6, Pollard 6 - Bingham 6, Kerr 6, Ainsworth 6, (Brown 70th) - Cotton 6, Morlando 6 (Hoberger 55th), O'Connor 6 (Fryer 41st 61').

Referee: Rennie 6.
Marshall Soper destroyed Wollongong by scoring a hat-trick, laying on the first goal for New Zealand World Cup player Ricky Herbert and giving triallist Steve Pollard a rather uncomfortable afternoon.

Pollard did get the measure of Soper in the latter part of the game but by that time the technically and especially physically superior Olympic was in command.

APIA 2

St George 2

Scores: Stone (SG) 5th, Giampaolo (APIA) 35th, Koczka (SG) 72nd, Valeri (APIA) 80th.
Crowd: 2000 approx.
Venue: Ziems Park, Corral.

APIA: Parks 6 (Woodhouse 41st 61') - Carter 6, Botallico 5, Pullen 7, Brown 6 - Morsello 7, McBrean 7, Bradley 6, Treddinick 6 - Giampaolo 7, Valeri 6.

ST GEORGE: Fraser 6 - Skenen 7, Ratcliffe 7, Biscaya 6, Fehrer 6 - Barton 6 (Koczka 70th 6), Stone 6, John O'Shea 6 - Slater 6, Muskovits 7, Marton 6.

Referee: Small 6.
APIA strikers Walter Valeri and Sebastian Giampaolo turned the clock back three years to produce a late equaliser against St George at Ziems Park, Corral, on the NSW south coast.

With St George leading 2-1 at half-time, when, out fast, Giampaolo received a quick ball from Peter Treddinick, made ground on the left wing before squaring the ball towards Valeri who smashed it in from two metres.

In the first half St George took the lead when Peter Stone grabbed a loose ball on the edge of the penalty area and let loose an unstoppable rising shot that beat Bobby Parkes all ends up.

After John Bradley had missed a sitter for APIA, Giampaolo made amends when he scored easily following a defensive slip by newcomer Jeff Biscaya.

After the interval the rhythm of play fell. Both Muskovits of St George and Treddinick had chances to break the deadlock but it was substitute Koczka who did so when he beat goalkeeper Greg Woodhouse with a well-taken shot.



Steve Pollard

The nation-wide recession that has characterised these early unstable elections has made an indelible mark on the City of Wollongong which is largely dependent on its steel and mining activities for survival.

The economic problems that have hit the Illawarra also affect Wollongong City Soccer Club, as was evident in the Super Challenge Cup Series.

Dwindling gates in 1982 and an understandable reluctance by the business community to put its money into soccer, have put the club in a delicate financial situation.

The Wolves managed to reach the top four series last year but have yet to secure a major sponsor after the withdrawal of Westfield. Money — or the lack of it — dominated therefore the club's policies during the off season.

In a bid to cut down on expenses, the club abandoned such folly as a full-time manager and engaged Willie Wallace as a part-time coach.

The club also stands to save money by moving from Wollongong Showgrounds to Ziems Park, in suburban Corral.

Visiting teams might not be impressed with the existing facilities but would surely relish a better playing surface.

The club also managed to convince its players to accept a cut in basic salary.

But the players will get a substantial increase in win bonuses, meaning they will earn much more money if they win but less if they don't.

Most of the first team squad signed one year contracts but stopper Arno Bertogna will

Wollongong shows effects of the economic recession



Philip Micallet

follow his Wollongong mate Peter Treddinick to APIA.

The two clubs last week agreed on a transfer fee, pending a medical examination of Bertogna this week.

Bertogna's place at the back of the defence is expected to be taken by young soccerero Ray Vilestra, who is in Costa Rica with the Australian squad.

The Wolves have lost another player — midfielder Lee Adam.

Adam now lives in Perth and is understood to be playing for his old club, Inglewood Kiew. The Wolves appear to have been hard-hit in the transfer market but Wallace would be the first to concede the club did very well to hang on to goalkeeper Jim Preston, skipper Chris Dunleavy and striker Phil O'Connor, probably the best players in the Wolves team last year.

Wallace now appears set to offer terms to defender Steve Pollard, who was on trial with the Wolves in the Super Challenge Cup Series.

Pollard is on the books of State League side Blacktown City and there should be no obstacles as far as any eventual transfer talks are concerned.

Pollard used to play as a striker with APIA. In the early seventies before suffering a damaged knee cap that seemed to jeopardise his career.

He does have top class experience because, apart from his APIA days, he formed part of the Blacktown team that played in the 1981 national league.

MASS EXODUS FROM RAPID WEST POINT?

The 1983 Tasmanian soccer season opens on Wednesday March 8 with the summer cup competition. Matches will be played on Wednesdays and Sundays culminating in the finals on Easter Monday.

The format for this season's competition has been changed from that of last season, when Croatia emerged as the winner. There will be two separate groups, one for Cadbury State League clubs, the other for Rothmans League clubs. Each group will have its own semi-finals and final and \$1350 will be up for grabs altogether.

It is too early yet to pick form as squads have not yet been finalised and quite a few players are training with new clubs without having signed for them or having obtained clearances from their previous clubs.

Rapid-West Point, last season's State champion, has a new player-coach in David Crosson. He was the club's sweeper last year and it will be interesting to see how the ex-English professional (Newcastle United) shapes up as coach.

Several of Rapid's players are training with other clubs and last season's coach, Eamon Kelly, has been appointed coach of Caledonians (Brighton has reverted to its former name). Larry Nunn

and Steve Kannegiesser have been training with Croatia; Steve Craven and John Charlton are training with Juventus; Thompson, Fletcher and Smith are reportedly moving to Metro-Clearmont. All these players do move, Rapid surely will struggle to retain its title.

Peter Brine retains the helm at Juventus which will miss the talents of mid-fielder Eric Young, last year's Rothmans Gold Medal winner. Alan Burton has rejoined the club after a season with Croatia but Sean Collins has asked for a move.

Olympia has re-appointed Brian MacKay as coach and Chris Hey of Brighton (now Caledonians) is training there. His acquisition will help to offset the loss of Peter Linnell who has enlisted in the army. Some of MacKay's excellent work of last season should bear fruit this time round.

White Eagles' new coach is the club's young sweeper, Bobby Rybak. There is a lot of young talent at the club but Rybak, although a fine player may lack the coaching ex-

Last year's champ could struggle...

perience needed to bring the best out of his players. Rybak has the distinction of being the only non-British coach in the Cadbury League this year.

John Grimsey is Croatia's coach for 1983. I just hope it treats him better than it did last season. With a new-look committee it's odds on

that he might make a go of it. His first priority must be to obtain a goalkeeper because Steve Smith has gone to England.

Metro has retained Barry Shucklady as coach and with the addition of the Rapid players mentioned earlier, should have a reasonable

season with the possibility of a mid-table position.

The relegation candidates appear to be University and Caledonians. University

always has been a good second division side but, even in top company, I fancy it to outlast Callies. Callies look like losing Hey, Tait and Parker, the three key players who saved them last year. Hey is keen to join Olympia; Tait is on the mainland and may return for a brief period; Parker has returned to England but may return to Tasmania.



...as NSL pans prove pointless

The Tasmanian soccer scene over the past 18 months has, in many ways, been one of false hopes and promises. There has been petty squabbling, character assassination, deceit, innuendo and injustice.

None of these things have helped the game to progress and many people who are genuinely interested in the future of the game have been disappointed and disillusioned.

In writing this article, I may be accused of adding to the sense of gloom that pervades the Tasmanian game. But certain things need to be said if things are to be put back on an even keel. We need to get

rid of these blights if soccer in this State is to progress.

What can be done? First, the false prophets within the State must stop their spurious propaganda. The Tasmanian soccer public has continually been told that the State will soon have a team in the national league. When will the promoters of this myth stop resurrecting it each year? Not until we get our own house in order will we be able to even think of going national. And yet, year after year, we are told that a team from Tasmania is on the verge of being entered.

We can't even gain enough sponsorship for the State League, let alone to enter a team in a national league. Let's stop naming patrons and coaches for our "new" national league team and concentrate on what is attainable. I'd love to see us have a team in a national league, but our best chance was probably in 1980. We missed the boat then and I can't see it returning in the foreseeable future, despite the continued pronouncements of some of these prophets who are full of their own importance.

Secondly, people must not be fooled by the false prophets from the mainland, even when they do come bearing gifts. Some time ago, a group of AFL marketing and PSL big shots visited the State and promised us many things. The commercial television station in Hobart would be screening mainland soccer programmes the following year. We were

told. The deal had been clinched, they said. Two seasons later and we're still waiting! We also were told that the premier had accepted the position of patron of our new national league team. What team?

A coach had been appointed, it was said, of both the senior team and a youth team that would be entered in the national youth league. The teams still have not materialised.

Thirdly, the in-fighting in Tasmania must stop. At least two of the governing bodies of the game in Tasmania, the TSA and TSF, are faction-ridden and strife torn. A radio programme was put off the air by some members of one of these groups without even con-

sulting the compeer. How can the game progress if vital channels of communication and publicity are destroyed because of such inane acts?

Factional strife brought about the resignation of the State's director of coaching, Steve Darby, a highly qualified and respected coach who was only so enthusiastic about the game and prepared to scale all barriers to promote it. Darby showed, as State coach, that our players could mix it with the mainlanders and come out on top. But, how could he win when there was so much subterfuge and intrigue in administrative ranks? He left with the cryptic words, "I can't be just a 'yes' man and condone

some of the things that are going on".

There must also be no favoritism shown to any particular club or clubs. Certain clubs have been given preferential treatment and this is unjust and reeks of corruption.

It is about time that those whose actions are destroying the game here came to their senses. Honesty and integrity are needed if the game is to survive. The game should be about establishing personal power bases at the expense of the development of the game in this State. The game is, after all, bigger than the individual.

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ISRAEL DRAWS FIRST BLOOD, COSTA RICA ALREADY OUT

Jones the gentle giant

Roy Jones

By
TED
SIMMONS

Roy Jones is known as the gentle giant of the national youth team.

Weighing 87 kilos and standing 1.92 metres (6ft 4 ins), Jones towers over most of his team-mates and is regarded by national coach Les Scheinflug as one of his key defenders. Jones speaks quietly, has a ready smile and has improved tremendously in the past three months from a defensive full-back to an over-lapping aggressive attacker.

"My father started me in soccer as a five-year-old playing in a Perth Under 8 competition, and also trained with me every day for half an hour during the winter at a nearby school," he said.

"When I was 14 he told me I had to decide whether to continue in soccer so I stayed with the game and was selected in the reserve team for Perth Second Division club Stirling Crocacia.

"Mal Brown, the coach, had a good stopper and a sweeper but was short on fullbacks, so he looked at my height and said that was my position. The following year I transferred to Forrestfield where I was selected as leftback in the firsts.

"Jimmy Shoulder offered me a scholarship in 1979 to play with the Institute of Sport in Canberra after watching me in the national youth titles and I've been there since."

Jones is studying for a teaching diploma at the institute, and was tagged the "gentle giant" by his pupils, which carried over into the national team.

"I always have been conscious of my size and was never aggressive early in my career, being content to stop the ball and clear it," he said.

"I was known as 'Tank' for many years, and not for block busting runs, although I was the West Australian 200 metres school sprint champion. In my last year with Forrestfield, coach Ray Illot pushed me to go in harder and move with the ball.

"Last October, just before the Acapulco tour, I realised I could tackle an opposing player, work the ball and not get hurt. In addition, Les Scheinflug did point out that I had to learn to tackle hard or I would be out of the team."

Jones is teaching primary school, and is allowed to study while on tour. He is engaged in a second course at the Canberra College of Advanced Education which involves computer programming and is looking seriously at computer work as a back-up when he finishes his soccer career.

"By nature, Roy is gentle and is always willing to listen. It is not easy to motivate him before a game, but he can now be a very hard and determined player if he becomes upset," said Scheinflug.

The Young Socceroos, who had played so well in tournaments in Mexico and Papua-New Guinea, crashed 1-3 to Israel in the opening match of the World Youth Championship qualifying game in Costa Rica.

They rallied to beat Costa Rica 3-1 in their second match, but Israel was left with a decided advantage, especially since it also beat Costa Rica, 2-0, in its second game.

The Australia - Israel return clash yesterday (Tuesday) was to decide whether Australia remained in with a chance or whether Israel would go to the finals in Mexico in June.

Australia's last match is against Costa Rica tomorrow (Thursday).

Defensive errors cost Australia dearly in the first game against Israel.

After a scoreless first half, Raphael Cohen of Israel took only one minute to break clear and score the first goal. Then Ray Vlietstra failed to control a pass from Tom McCulloch in defence, allowing Yigal Menahem to score the first of his two goals.

Rod Brown pulled one back for Australia but Menahem struck again a minute from the end.

Australia's Jim Patikas, the man on whom the side relies in midfield, was closely marked and largely ineffective.

Australia's opening line-up was: Hummell - Maier, McCulloch, Vlietstra, Jones - Farina, Stewart, Patikas, Incantalupo - Brown, Lowe. Rene Licata came on as a substitute.

Israel's Menahem scored his third goal of the competition in helping beat Costa Rica 2-0, with Elivahu Ohana scoring the other.

Australia's coach Les Scheinflug made one change for the game against Costa Rica on Monday, replacing injured Russell Stewart with Victorian Marcelo Salvo, the former South Melbourne Hellas junior now with the Institute of Sport in Canberra.

Goals by Jim Patikas in the 8th minute and David Lowe in the 23rd gave Australia a good start before Ramirez replied for Costa Rica in the 44th. The match was evenly balanced now, with the possibility of a draw. But no, Frank Farina struck in the 60th minute to make it safe for Australia.

World travels make young stars hot properties

By
LAURIE
SCHWAB

Frank Farina, Rod Brown, Frank Farano and Roy Jones have become players of distinction during the past two months.

Unknown before they hit the road with the national youth squad, they now are among the hottest properties in Australian soccer.

Brown was a junior with NSW State League club Auburn before the young Socceroos came third in the Joao Havelange tournament in Mexico and won the Oceania Youth Cup. Now he's joined youth team partner Tom McCulloch at Marconi for an \$8000 transfer fee.

And the other three are almost certain to join national league clubs as well. In fact, more than the quarters of the youth players will be snapped up by NSL clubs, according to their coach Les Scheinflug.

Praise was heaped on the young Socceroos with great generosity during their world travels. Jair, the former Brazilian star who coached the Brazil youth team that drew 2-2 with Australia in Mexico, said:

"To be honest, we did not expect the Australian team to produce such a high standard of play. They are well organised, skilful and they do not stop running. I am the first to admit that we were lucky to escape with a draw."

Cesar Luis Menotti, coach of Argentina, rated Australia alongside the USSR as the best team in the Havelange tournament, and almost everyone chose Australian midfielder Jim Patikas as the outstanding player.

Patikas was unavailable due to injury for the Oceania Cup

THE RESULTS

PRACTICE MATCH in Mexico: Australia 3 (Incantalupo, Brown, Slater) Babyo 0

JOAO HAVELANGE TOURNAMENT, in Mexico:

Australia 2 (Lowe pen, Patikas) Brazil 2 (Hector, Eliot)

Australia 1 (Lowe pen) Mexico 1 (Vilchis)

Australia 2 (Patikas, Brown) Costa Rica 1

Australia 0 USSR 1 (Protosov), semi-final

Australia 3 (Brown 2, Farina) Mexico 0, third place play-off

Final: USSR 2 Argentina 1

OCEANIA YOUTH TOURNAMENT (Incorporating World Youth Championship qualifying games) in Port Moresby:

Australia 7 (Wright 3, Brown 2, Incantalupo, Lowe) Fiji 0

Australia 2 (Incantalupo, Lowe) New Zealand 1 (Bauerfeind)

Australia 2 (Farina, Lowe pen) Papua New Guinea 0

Final: Australia 4 (Farina, Farina 2, Lowe) New Zealand 3 (Truist 2, Bauerfeind) after extra time

PRACTICE GAMES in Los Angeles:

Australia 4 (Farina 2, Brown, Salvo) West Valley Chargers 0

Australia 2 (Lowe, Brown) FRAM under 23s 1 (Coray)

WORLD YOUTH CHAMPIONSHIP QUALIFYING MATCHES in San Jose, Costa Rica:

Australia 1 (Brown) Israel 3 (Menahem 2, Cohen)

THE SQUAD

Goalkeepers: Chris Hummell, Anthony Franken.

Defenders: Ralph Maier, Tom McCulloch, Frank Farano, Roy Jones, Luciano Fabrizio, Ray Vlietstra.

Midfielders: Russell Stewart, Jim Patikas, Marcelo Salvo, Fabio Incantalupo.

Forwards: Frank Farina, Joe Mullen, Rene Licata, Rod Brown, David Lowe, Danny Wright, Paul Daley.

in Papua New Guinea, but even without him, the Australians won the Cup in a remarkable final during which they turned a 0-2 deficit into a 4-3 victory over New Zealand after extra time.

Scheinflug says that teamwork is the essence of his team's success.

"The boys are all very good friends and they blend perfectly on the park," he says.

"The mix is perfect. We have experience in Patikas, Lowe, Maier and Wright who all have played in the national league, we have physical strength in Jones and Farano at the back, we have speed in Brown and Licata and we have great skill in David Lowe, a player of incredible ball control, and Tom McCulloch, the

libero who controls our game from defence."

Answering criticism about his decision to leave Robbie Slater out of the squad that went to Costa Rica, Scheinflug says:

"Slater couldn't take the climate in Acapulco, so he didn't go to Port Moresby where it was just as hot. When he returned to training he didn't show sufficient interest."

Slater's club, St. George, is seething about the omission of Slater, who had a sensational debut season in the NSL last year.

Fabio Incantalupo who played in the 1981 World Youth Championships staged in Australia, lost 13 stone during the long campaign and was yet another of the stars.

Scheinflug rates Queensland striker Frank Farina from the Institute of Sport, as the most improved player in his squad, and describes midfielder Marcelo Salvo as "a little Ardiles - very quick and a great passer."

Salvo, born in Uruguay, was at South Melbourne Hellas before switching to the Sports Institute.

South Australian Joe Mullen was forced out of the squad by an ankle injury just before the Socceroos left for Costa Rica.

The injury occurred during a trial match against Melita Eagles, and it was a Melita player, Paul Daley, who was chosen as Mullen's replacement for the tour.

Daley also had come in as an emergency for the Oceania Youth Cup due to Patikas's ab-

MEET THE YOUNG SOCCEROOS ...



Ralph Maier

Russell Stewart

Joe Mullen

Jim Patikas



Danny Wright

Tom McCulloch

Ray Vlietstra

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Nacionalna liga Australije stvorena je sa dozom pesimizma. Dve prošle godine sve je bilo u redu, dok ekonomska kriza nije duboko pogodila sve društvene aktivnosti. Nacionalna liga, odnosno Philips liga u to vreme, uvela je sednju, ali je ostetila razvoj nogometa, odnosno oslabila klubove, koji nisu više mogli da se oslone na sve svoje igrače. Sa jednim rezervnim igračem trener nije mogao da izmeni tok utakmice, narocito ako je u pitanju bio golman. Ova godina ce biti jos teza, jer se ekonomska situacija pogoršava. Dokle ce klubovi moći da se bore za opstanak zavisi od igrača i njihovih zahteva.

Zanimljiv je položaj JUST-a u ovakvoj situaciji. Mozda samo prividno, ali "plavi" pokazuju znake ozdravljenja. Unutrasnja borba jos traje, jer se igrači tesko odricu starih navika i zabave. Ipak, rezultata ima. I to pozitivnih. JUST je najmanje potrosio od svih klubova u Melburnu, a imace jedan od boljih timova. U prvoj utakmici za Ampol kup, JUST je pokazao igru i zalaganje, koji su zadovoljili sve navijace. Sa malo vise sportske sreće JUST je mogao da pobedi Makedoniju sa kojom ima negativan bilans.

Ukoliko se novi igrači ukllope sa uspe-

hom u "plavu" sredinu, JUST se ove godine neće boriti za opstanak u Nacionalnoj ligi, sto je bio slučaj svih šest godina do sada. Pored novajlija, najviše ohrabruju mladi igrači, koje je JUST stvorio. Vlatko Belic, Pavle Simic i Sloboda Stojcevski su osigurali mesto u prvom timu. Sa uspehom se probijaju i sazejavu Peter Hrehorešin, Suli Curovic i Tom Karic. Trener drugog tima Milenko Ruzmir priprema veliki broj talentovanih juniora, koji su na kraju prošle sezone postigli izvanredne rezultate. Sto je najvažnije, svi oni vole JUST, spremni su da podnesu najveće napore i ne traze mnogo. Ne treba zaboraviti ni povratak Bruna Cozzelle, koji je takodje mlad igrač, spreman da nastavi karijeru u JUST-u.

Stara garda je jos uvek stub "plave" masine. Igor Hazabent je u životnoj formi. Isto tako Denis Boland, dok se Zdravko Lujic, Zoran Ilioski, Slobodan Jovanovic, Jim O'Reilly i Jim Kondarios polako, ali sigurno vraćaju u formu. Najjace i najbolje oruzje ovog tima treba da bude uigranost, jer su zajedno vec pola decenije. Mnogo je vazan njihov odnos prema treneru, ali i trenerova sposobnost da ih inspirise. Bobby McLaghlan je dva puta trijumfovao sa Green Gully-em i proglašen je za trenera godine u Viktoriji. Pored toga, sam je izabrao JUST, od koga je

pre nekoliko godina odbacen. Bas zbog toga zeli da se dokoze, iako je imao bolje ponude na drugoj strani.

Sledeći ispit Bobby McLaghlan i njegovi puleni polazu u sredu uvece, 2. februara na Olympic Parku. Protivnik je Juventus, koji sa velikim ambicijama ulazi u novu sezonu. To je najstariji JUST-ov rival. Pre 30 godina susreti ova dva kluba su punili stadione. Juventus je onda bio smapion, ali je njegova slava potamnila, iako je imao bolje uslove i vise novaca od JUST-a. Pored svih teskoca, JUST je bio i ostao najstabilniji klub u Melburnu i Viktoriji. Jedini klub, koji se uvek takmicio u najvisem rang. Retko kad je bio prvi, ali nikad poslednji, sto jije slučaj sa ostalim klubovima u Melburnu.

MAKEDONIJA je uspela u zadnji cas da okupi sbe igrace sa kojima je uspesno završila proslogodisnju sezonu. Da li ce svi ostali posle Ampol kupa, to je drugo pitanje. Makedonija ocekuje nekoliko novih igrača, od kojih je najpoznatiji Blago je Odzakov iz skopskog Vardara. Njegov dolazak se mnogo odugovlaci. BEZ obzira na trenutno stanje, Makedonija ima sposobnu upravu, koja ce izvesti "crno-crvene" na pravi put u najskorije vreme. U sredu 2. februara Makedonija igra protiv Green Gully Ajadasu drugu utakmicu na Olympic Parku.

MALI FUDBAL

Tradicionalni dvonevni turnir u malom fudbalu na Monash univerzitetu okupio je 48 timova, od toga šest naših. Posle prvog dana neporazni su Tarax, Split "B" i Hawkeburn, ali Bratstvo/Jedinstvo i Carlton/Mladost takodje imaju šansu da se probiju u finalni deo takmicenja. Najvece iznadenje je pobeda veterana Taraksa nad mladom ekipom Bratstva/Jedinstva sa 1:0. Jedini gol je postigao Ibro Hadziabdic, koji je sa lakomcom presao tri igrace, kojima bi mogao biti otac i majstorski savladao golmana Mandica, koji je jedan od najboljih na turniru. Na zalost, Ibro Hadziabdic je svojom krivicom (dugacak jezik) zaradio prvo zuti, a odmah zatim i crveni karton. Crveni karton je zaradio i Stevan Janjic iz Bratstva/Jedinstva zbog grube igre.

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ΕΣΤΙΝ 30 καί 40 "Ομίλο τά πράγματα

θᾶ ξεκαθαρίσουν τήν Ευρωπαϊκή 6 τοῦ Φεβράριου μέ τίς συναντήσεις: 1.00 μ.μ. ΚΑΡΠΙΝΤΑ - ΚΩΦΑΝΤ 2.30 μ.μ. ΑΕΝΙΔΑΣ - ΔΟΣΑ 4.00 μ.μ. Ν.ΕΛΛΑΣ - ΜΑΛΒΕΝ 5.30 μ.μ. ΜΟΡΝΤΙΑΛΛΟΣ - ΣΕΝΤΡΑΑ

— ΕΣΤΙΝ 30 "Ομίλο καί οί 4 ομάδες διεκδικούν τήν πρόκριση. Στόν 40 "Ομίλο τήν πρόκριση μποροῦν νά κερῶν μιά ἀπό τίς ὁμάδες ΔΟΣΑ, ΑΕΝΙΔΑΣ, ΣΕΝΤΡΑΑ ἐνῶ τό ΜΟΡΝΤΙΑΛΛΟΣ μετά καί τήν 2η ἴτη ποδ ἔκανε ἀπὸ τήν ἀδρά τό περασμένο Σάββατο, ἀποκαίρησε τήν διοργάνωση.

Συγκεκριμένα ή ομάδα τοῦ Μετροπόλιταν ἄηκν μετά τήν πρωλεθρία ποδ ἔπαθε ἀπὸ τόν Λεωνίδα στόν πρώτο της ἀγῶνα μέ τό βαρὸ σκόρ 3-0, ἀγωνίστηκε μέ τήν ΔΟΣΑ Γιάραβελι στόν δεύτερο ἀγῶνα της μέ ἀρκετούς νέους παίκτες στήν σύνθεσή της, μεταβῶ τόν ὁποῖον ἦταν καί ὁ Μλαν ὁ ἀμυντικός τῆς Ήδος. Τελικά καί μετά ἀπὸ πολύ καιρό ἀγῶνα ποδ κέρησε σέ ἀγῶνα τοῦς φιλάθλους ή πρωταθλήτρια ομάδα τοῦ Γιάραβελι πῆρε τήν νίκη μέ 2-1 καί τέρματα ποδ πέτυχαν οί Ξανθόπουλος καί Τ.Παπαχριστοδούλου.

Εἰςτός ή Ν.ΕΛΛΑΣ μέ τήν νεαρή της Ταχιαρχία καί μέ προπονητή τόν Μανώλη Βέση, πῆρε μεγάλη νίκη ἀπὸ τό Κόλφοντ μέ 2-1.

Μέ Κόλφοντ μέ κόντρα τόν ἀέρα στό Α' τῆρος ἀνοῖξε τό σκόρ μέ τόν Θεοχαρίδη ἀλλά ή Ν.ΕΛΛΑΣ εἶχε χᾶσει ἀρκετές ἐκπαιρέσεις τίς ὁποῖες στήνἐπανάληψη τίς ἀξιοποίησε καί μέ ἐκτελεστή τόν Πῶ Παλατοῦλη πῆρε τήν μεγάλη νίκη ποδ πανηγυρίστηκε μέ ἐνθουσιασμό ἀπὸ τοὺς φιλάθλους ποδ πόρτ Νέμπουρν.

" FROM THE PENALTY SPOT "

• Readers are invited to write to Peter Katholos at 38 McKern Street, Campsie, 2194. He will answer their questions in this column.

KAT'S CORNER

with PETER KATHOLOS



Olympic eyes title, but Hellas a threat

In this new, weekly column for "Soccer Action" I will be expressing the player's view of various aspects of the game and also telling you about some of my experiences. Also, I will give occasional tips for youngsters.

To get the ball rolling, I first of all want to congratulate the national youth team for its fine performance in Azzulio and Port Moresby. Let's hope they qualify for the finals of the World Youth Championships in Mexico later this year, despite their bad start in Costa Rica.

It's also been pleasing to see the various TV networks showing interest in local soccer at club and national team levels. Perhaps this year we'll see a major breakthrough as far as television is concerned.

At national level, we'll be playing against New Zealand on February 22 and 27 and I tell you that it will be some battle!

Lee Scheinflug and his team are very keen to succeed against the Kiwis and prove to the Australian public that we are superior, despite that embarrassing loss of 1981.

It was indeed unfortunate that we

didn't go further in that World Cup campaign. Turning to club soccer, I have signed with Olympic for 1983 and I'm really looking forward to working again with our coach Tommy Docherty.

During the off-season, Olympic purchased Jim Petikas from Sydney City, Marshall Soper from APIA and Ricky Herbert, the New Zealand international defender.

With these and the players from last year's squad, we'll have a very strong attack.

We've been playing in a pre-season tournament against St George, APIA and Wollongong on an early form, I'd say we're in for a very tough 1983 season.

We beat APIA 2-0 in the first game, and although APIA played without its star recruit, Arno Bertogna, they still looked a hard, tough, and very promising side. Peter Tredinnick, from Wollongong played for part of the game, Walter Valeri from Canberra went okay, combining well with his old mate Sebastian Glampolo, and the team work was quite good.

St George thrashed Wollongong 6-2 but to be fair, Wollongong had quite a few players missing. St George, however, was excellent in defence and Dez Marton is as dangerous as ever.

Our team, Olympic, is going back to a 4-3-3 formation — a departure from the 4-2-4 style that Docherty usually prefers. The reason is, quite simply, that we've bought Jim Petikas, who's a midfielder,

and he'll have to join me and Peter Raskopoulos in the midfield. Petikas will play on the right, Raskopoulos on the left and I will be in the middle in an attacking role. Raskopoulos is the one who'll stay back a little more.

Our strikers are Graham Jennings, Mark Koussas and Marshall Soper, which unfortunately leaves out Jim Redfern and Kenny Wilson.

Andy Scott and Ian Rowden, who both had been on the transfer list, have been given a reprieve. Rowden played centre back against APIA and did very well. He'll be vying with Jim Zira, who has pulled a hamstring and will be out for three or four weeks. Ricky Herbert played sweeper against APIA and was very impressive, while Scott is at left back and if he does well, he'll probably stay there.

George Akoutas is vying with Martin Rogers for the right back position, and Tony Dakos, another former team player, also is in the running for a place in the team. He's a back-four player as well.

Looking at the likely outcome of the league championship, I expect South Melbourne Hellas to be up there with the leaders due to their recruiting and the coaching of Rale Rasic. Sydney City also will be up there although they've lost John Spanos and Petikas, and so will St George who have the same strong team as last year. Heidelberg has been pretty consistent, so I think they'll do well again, and of course Olympic is set for a great season.

3-point scheme to boost crowds

Now more than ever, we in soccer must aim at selling our product. One of my first tasks — and I make no apologies — will be to contact Brian Dixon, the new manager of the Sydney Swans, for we can learn a lot from Australian Rules football.

It fascinates me that Collingwood VFL club is planning to spend \$5.5 million on its operation this year, for I look back at 1967 when the players of Essendon went on strike to get a pay increase from \$25 to \$30 a week!

Look at the strides that have been made by Aussie Rules since then.

Brian Dixon was the Victorian Sports Minister before taking up his appointment with the Swans, and I believe he has a lot to offer us in the way of guidance.

My new club, South Melbourne Hellas, has a huge potential audience available from among the 300,000 Greek migrants living in Melbourne.

We don't get as big a percentage as we would like. Other clubs have the same problem, so it follows that we haven't been selling the game in the right manner.

It's a complex problem, and many aspects have to be considered in trying to determine a solution.

But at least we've made a start in awarding three points for a win instead of two.

Now, winning two games is better than drawing six, meaning every team will have to go out and attack, and thus offer



RALE RASIC

more entertainment to the paying customer.

Players will be motivated differently because of the new points system, irrespective of the playing style of their team.

The term "all-out attack" however, is a misnomer. Goals always are the objective, sure, but players must know also how to defend, because goals are also the objective of the opposing team. We must never forget this. The answer is good team work and all-out effort.

If the players operate close to each other — opening and closing like a concertina, depending on defence or attack — the crowd will see more one-

twos, more tackling, more fire, more general involvement and effort.

All that adds up to entertainment and that's exactly what the public wants. It's been said that a club supporter wants nothing apart from seeing his team win but I believe that the way the team wins is also important to him.

Sydney City won championships galore but its general play has not inspired ecstasy among its spectators, hence the low attendances. Sure, there's more to it than that, but one surely would expect marginally larger crowds if the entertainment value were greater.

A team can lose 0-1 and still draw applause because it has given total effort, but a team can win 1-0 despite a completely negative approach. Spectators of the losing team will come back, but fans of the negative team will stay away in greater and greater numbers the longer the negative approach persists.

Teams that sit back, waiting for the opponents to make an error, will pay dearly under the new points system. You will achieve far more by forcing errors than waiting for them to occur.

The need to provide entertainment is more important now because there is a real chance that the economic depression will cause people to say at home rather than part with their money.

Players, and coaches, make their living from the game so for them, it comes down to keeping or losing their jobs. They must be prepared to give more than they've given in the past, and I'm sure they will rise to the occasion.

GERMANS TRY THE SIN BIN

• West Germany's two national league divisions are experimenting with the ice hockey "sin bin". The referee now has the option of showing an offender the yellow card, sending him off for 10 minutes or dismissing him for the rest of the match.

Darasolia killed

Russian international star Vitaly Darasolia was killed in a car crash just before Christmas. David Webb (Bournemouth), John Newman (Derby County), Peter Anderson (Millwall), Bobby Murdoch (Middlesbrough), Roy McFarland (Bradford City), Ken Craig (Chertsey), Mike Bailey (Brighton), Arfom Griffiths (Crewe Alexandra).

Merry-go-round

Managers who have got the axe or resigned in England during the past three months include: David Webb (Bournemouth), John Newman (Derby County), Peter Anderson (Millwall), Bobby Murdoch (Middlesbrough), Roy McFarland (Bradford City), Ken Craig (Chertsey), Mike Bailey (Brighton), Arfom Griffiths (Crewe Alexandra).

Yugo scandal

The financial director of the famous Yugoslav side, Red Star Belgrade has been jailed for eight years. Mihailo Korice was found guilty of stealing about \$14,000 in ticket money.

Combined Ireland?

Harry Caven, the senior vice president of FIFA and presi-

From JIM COOK our European correspondent



dent of the Northern Ireland Football Association, is reported to have said he would like to see an all-Ireland team and admitted there already have been talks about the North and South taking the field together in internationals.

Botham strikes!

Ian Botham's young brother Graeme recently hit the headlines when as a soccer referee he sent off four players in the same

match in Somerset. But the Somerset F.A. upheld his purge by suspending the quartet for a total of 22 weeks.

Brady missed

World Cup hero Paulo Rossi slammed his club side Juventus for selling ex-Arsenal midfielder Liam Brady to Sampdoria last summer. Rossi says it was a mistake and the European Footballer of the Year said Brady, the Republic of Ireland international, has been sadly missed.

Italians collect \$180,000 each

Italy's players collected \$180,000 each for winning the 1982 World Cup — the highest bonus yet in world football.

Rent a crowd

Crowds of 1st FC Vienna dipped so low that the club decided to hand out free tickets to people living around the ground. A new version of "rent a crowd" ??? Australian clubs take heed!

Youngest star

Ivan Balesky, who plays centre back for Levsky Spartak Sofia, is only 15 years old, making him probably the youngest player to appear in any of the three European competitions.

Haan's fine run

Dutch midfielder Arie Haan has been in no fewer than 18 major finals in a 12-year career with Ajax Amsterdam, Anderlecht and now Standard Liege. It was as a substitute for Nico Rijnders that Haan won his first European Cup final, against Panathinaikos, in 1971. By the next season, when Ajax faced Internazionale in the final, Haan, Johan Neeskens and Gert Mulder were recognised as the best midfield trio in Europe.

Lato the best

Alfred Di Stefano (Real Madrid coach) chooses as his best players of the 1982 World Cup: Grzegorz Lato (Poland), Zbigniew Boniek (Poland), Bernard Genghini (France) and Junior (Brazil).

Four want Cup

FIFA will decide in Stockholm on May 20 whether Mexico, Brazil, the USA or

SOCCER AROUND THE WORLD

Abega is tops

Cameron's Player of the Year is World Cup midfielder Theophile Abega.

Chilean temper

Chile's Gustavo Moscoso was riled by a fan who kept abusing him during a game, so he ran up into the stand and attacked him. Moscoso was playing for Universidad Catolica against Colo Colo.

Kieft gets boot

Wim Kieft of Ajax won the Adidas Golden Boot award as Europe's top scorer in league competition for 1981/82. Kieft, with 32 goals, beat runners-up Dello Omis (Tours) and Kres Kist (Paris St. Germaine), ex-AZ '67 Almar with 29 goals each. Next was Allan Hansen (Hamburg, ex-Odense) with 28, and Horst Hrubesch (Hamburg) and Jacques (Porto) with 27 each.

Miljanic back

national coach of Yugoslavia, is back in Spain, as boss of Valencia.

Spaniards axed

Only eight players who did so badly in the World Cup have been retained in Spain's national team. They are listed in capitals along with the new 22-man squad: goalkeepers: ARCONADA (R. Soledad), Buyo (Sevilla); defenders: Gerardo (Barcelona), Quique (At. Madrid), Bonet, Juan Jose, CAMACHO (R. Madrid), GORDILLO (Betis), MACEDA (Girona); TENDILLO (Valencia), Alvarez (Sevilla); midfielders: Victor (Barcelona), GALLEGO (R. Madrid), Zubillaga (R. Soledad), Senor (Zaragoza), Roberto (Valencia); forwards: Pedraza (At. Madrid), Servale (Bilbao), Martin (Joaquina), Marcos (Barcelona), SANTILLANA (R. Madrid), SARUSTEGUI (R. Soledad).

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Sad death for Garrincha, joy of the people

By PAUL MOON.

The death of Garrincha, announced on January 19, was a tragic but predictable end for a great athlete who failed to come to terms with life when his glorious career closed.

Garrincha, 49, died in Rio after fracturing his skull in a fall.

Born with severely twisted legs, Manoel Francisco dos Santos underwent a series of operations during his infancy, yet always had a deformed left leg. It was miraculous therefore that the youngster was able to kick a ball, let alone have aspirations of becoming a professional footballer. A professional footballer he did become however when Botafogo signed him from junior club Pau Grand-e.

The young winger became an instant favorite and was rechristened Garrincha ("Joy of the People") by Botafogo fans. In 1957 he spearheaded the club's Rio championship success, only their second ever, and won his first international cap yet was only a second stringer for his country at the start of the following year's World Cup.

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team's senior players and proved irresistible on the right flank. In the final he laid on a couple of goals for Vava after Sweden had scored a 4th minute opener. Brazil went on to win 5-2.

The South Americans started the 1962 Mundial as overwhelming favorites. The loss of Pele through injury in the second match would have devastated most teams, but such were Brazil's resources that its superiority never appeared to be seriously threatened.

Once again Garrincha proved devastating, scoring twice against both England and Chile as the holders strode majestically through to the final.

Unfortunately he was sent off against the Chileans, but escaped the normally automatic suspension to line up against Czechoslovakia. Here the bow-legged winger had one of his quieter matches, failed to find the net and had to be content sharing the tournament's leading scorer title with five others. Nobody could begrudge him a second World Cup winners' medal.

He remained an integral part of Brazil's 1966 World Cup side but England was not a happy hunting ground for the champions. The 3-1 defeat inflicted by Hungary was Garrincha's 41st and last international, and the only loss he experienced while wearing a Brazilian jersey.

He delayed retirement for a further six years in which Flamengo, Santos, Portuguesa Santista and Olaria were served. Only a serious knee injury forced him to hang up his boots at 39.

Loneliness and the breakdown of his marriage triggered a drinking problem which was to haunt him for the rest of his life. To make matters worse each visit to the alcoholics' clinic was eagerly catalogued by Brazil's

